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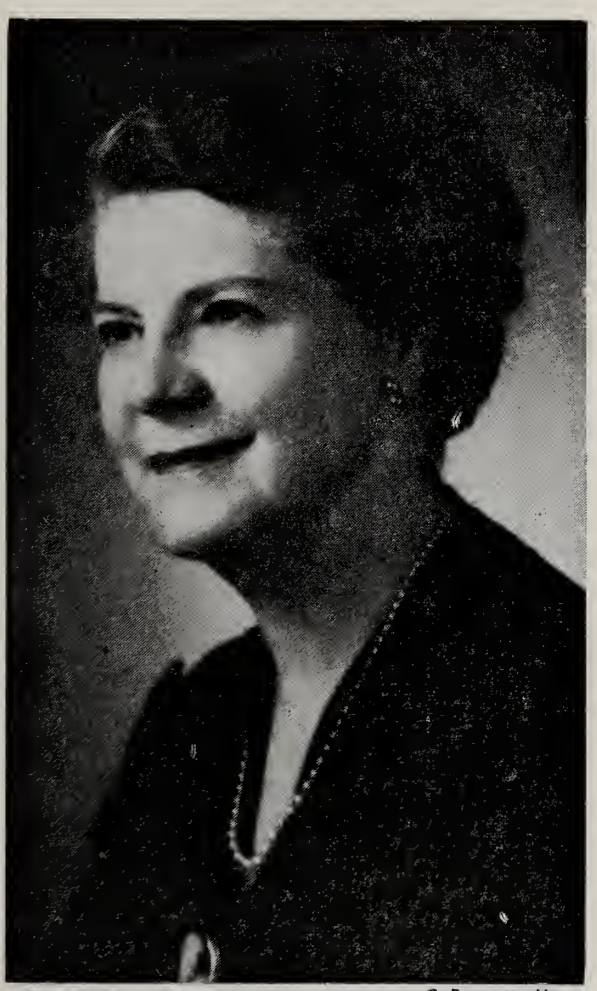

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TO RUTH JONES CADWALLADER

Who has given herself in dedication, concentration, and unselfish service to the office of President of the Louisiana Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service from 1954 to 1958, we dedicate this volume with loving appreciation.

MISS MARGARET WADE CAMPBELL

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney N. Campbell of Alexandria, Louisiana, graduated from Centenary College with a B.A. degree in 1954. She has an M.A. degree from Scarritt College in social group work. She served as an LA-3 in Mexico. She was commissioned a missionary at the Fifth Assembly and will return to serve in Mexico.

MISS VELA HOWELL CLEVELAND, M.D.

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Cleveland of Fort Meade, Florida. She graduated with an A.B. degree from Asbury College, an A.B. degree from University of Kentucky, an M.A. from Duke University, and an M.D. degree from Tulane University Medical School. Dr. Cleveland will go to India as a specialist in pediatrics. She was commissioned a missionary at the Fifth Assembly.

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QUADRENNIAL GOALS — 1956-1960

The Spirit of Christ—For All of Life

The Call: To every member of every Woman's Society of Christian Service and Wesleyan Service Guild—

1. To commit herself to the spirit and principles of Christ for the whole world.
2. To accept responsibility in the total program of the local church.
3. To interpret the place of the educational institutions of the Woman's Division of Christian Service in the World mission of the Church.
4. To confront the local church with the challenge of recruitment for missionary and deaconess service.
5. To create a fellowship without barriers in local church and community.
6. To identify herself with peoples of the world.
7. To speak and act bodily in Christ's name for justice and peace for all people.

Annual Meetings

1940—First Methodist Church, Alexandria, October 23, Charter Meeting.
1941—Noel Memorial Methodist Church, Shreveport, April 29-May 1.
1942—Trinity Methodist Church. Ruston. April 14-16.
1943—First Methodist Church, Monroe, March 30-April 1.
1944—First Methodist Church, Crowley, March 28-30.
1945—No Annual Meeting, Executive Meeting only.
1946—First Methodist Church, Baton Rouge, March 19-21.
1947—First Methodist Church, Lake Charles. April 8-10.
1948—First Methodist Church. Shreveport, March 16-18.
1949—First Methodist Church. Alexandria. March 22-24.
1950—Trinity Methodist Church, Ruston, March 28-30.
1951—First Methodist Church, Monroe, October 23-25.
1952—First Methodist Church. Lafayette. March 18-19.
1953—University Methodist Church. Baton Rouge, March 17-19.
1954—Rayne Memorial Methodist, New Orleans, March 24-26.
1955—First Methodist Church. Lake Charles. March 18-20.
1956—First Methodist Church, Shreveport, March 2-4.
1957—First Methodist Church. Alexandria. March 13-15.
1958—First Methodist Church, Monroe, March 18-20.

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1940-1941—Mrs. George Sexton, Jr.
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CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES 1958-1959
WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE AND WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD

(See May, 1958 **Methodist Woman** for more complete Calendar)

June

Guild makes pledge and reports to treasurer of local society.
Treasurer local society reports total pledge to district promotion Secretary and district Treasurer.
Jurisdiction School of Missions, Mt. Sequoyah, June 23-28.

July

Guild weekend July 19, 20.
Guild Treasurer's first quarterly report due Society Treasurer, July 20.
Local Society Treasurer's first quarterly report due district Treasurer, July 25.

August

Send student information cards to Wesley Foundation Directors, August 1.
District Treasurer's first quarterly report due Conference Treasurer, August 5.
School of Missions, Centenary College, August 11-15.

September

District Missionary Education Seminars.
Treasurer and Secretary of Promotion promote use of MY WORLD BANK.
Order material for Week of Prayer and Self-Denial.

October

Mid-Year Executive Committee meeting October 8, 9, 10, Opelousas, La.
Guild Treasurer's second quarterly report due Society Treasurer, October 20.
Guild and Woman's Society observe United Nations day, October 24.
Local Society Treasurer's second quarterly report due District Treasurer, October 25.
Week of Prayer and Self-Denial, October 24-31.

November

District Treasurer's second quarterly report due Conference Treasurer, November 5.

December

Cooperate in church wide observance of Human Rights Day, December 10.
Cooperate in plans for Student Recognition day, December 28.
Guild and Woman's Society make final plans for Wesleyan Service Guild month.

January

Wesleyan Service Guild Month—make known its purpose and program.
Cooperate in plans for Youth and Children's Missionary Units.
Guild Treasurer's quarterly report due Society Treasurer, January 20.

Local Society Treasurer's third quarterly report due District Treasurer, January 25.
Order Nineteenth Annual Report. Woman's Division of Christian Service.
Guild and Woman's Society elect nominating committee.

February

District Treasurer's third quarterly report due Conference Treasurer, February 5.
Participate in World Day of Prayer, February 13.
Guild and Woman's Society election of officers.
Elect delegates to Annual Meeting.

March

Send list of local officers to District Promotion Secretary.
Annual Meeting of Woman's Society Society of Christian Service, March 3-8, 1959, First Methodist Church, Baton Rouge, La.
Annual Meeting Wesleyan Service Guild March 10-11, First Methodist Church, Baton Rouge, La.
Easter, March 29.

April

Pledges paid in full
Jurisdiction and Convocation Meeting in Kansas City, Mo., April 7-9, 1959.
Annual Meetings of Districts.
Guild Treasurer's fourth quarterly report due Society Treasurer, April 25.

May

Local Society Treasurer's fourth quarterly report due District Treasurer, May 1.
District Treasurer's fourth quarterly report due Conference Treasurer, May 10.
Pledge Service for new year.
Install officers.
All Guilds and local Societies reports mailed to District Officers not later than May 31st.
Annual report from all Workers, Conference Officers and District Secretaries of Promotion due the Recording Secretary of the Conference, June 10.

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Mrs. R. H. Wood
Miss Frances Barker
Rev. W. H. Giles

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Mrs. C. W. Tebow
Miss Sue Batton
Mrs. Charles Geissen
Mrs. C. R. McCammon
Mrs. James T. Harris
Mrs. Charles N. Cadwallader
Miss Tennie V. Severtson

Research:

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Mrs. F. E. Kennon
Mrs. Glenn E. Laskey

Eight District Secretaries of Promotion

School of Missions and Christian Service:

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Mrs. G. W. Pomeroy
Mrs. C. W. Tebow
Mrs. P. D. Lambert
Mrs. Robley Davis
Mrs. M. R. Tatum
Miss Sue Batton
Mrs. W. W. Paxton
Mrs. J. H. McSween
Mrs. F. G. Phillips
Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick

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Mrs. Clarence Day
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Mrs. M. R. Tatum
Miss Sue Batton
Mrs. W. W. Paxton

Wesleyan Service Guild:

Miss Sue Batton, Chairman
Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick
Mrs. C. W. Tebow
Mrs. J. H. McSween
Mrs. Wideman Watson
Mrs. F. E. Kennon
Mrs. C. B. McGowan
Mrs. Glenn E. Laskey
Eight District Secretaries of Wesleyan Service Guild

IN MEMORIAM

It seemeth such a little way to me
    Across to that strange country, the Beyond,
And yet, not strange, for it has grown to be—
    The home of those of whom I am so fond,
They make it seem familiar and most dear,
    As journeying friends bring distant countries near.
And so for me there is no sting to death,
    And so the grave has lost its victory;
It is but crossing with abated breath,
    Tense, white set face, a little strip of sea,
To find the loved ones waiting on the shore,
    More beautiful, more precious than before.

—Ella Wheeler Wilcox

This page is dedicated to the memory of all those women of the Louisiana Conference who have passed to that Blessed Land during the past year. Because of their loving service the work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service has grown.

PROGRAM

WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

TUESDAY, MARCH 18, 1958

Monroe, Louisiana

10:00-12:00 Registration of Executive Committee, First Methodist Church

1:00 Executive Committee Luncheon, Mrs. G. W. Pomeroy, 1303 Speed Avenue

6:00 Executive Committee Dinner, St. Paul's Methodist Church Lexington and Orell
"MISSIONS—ENDLESS LINE OF SPLENDOR"

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19, 1958

10:00- 2:00 Registration for Delegates, First Methodist Church
Coffee Corner, Courtesy of Monroe Churches

12:00 Luncheon for Executive Committee, Country Club, Bayou DeSiard

Afternoon Session

"Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God." Isaiah 40:3

2:00 Organ Prelude — Miss Joann Richardson
Hymn: "Heralds of Christ" — No. 482
Convening of the Eighteenth Annual Meeting, Mrs. C. N. Cadwallader, President
Opening Worship — Mrs. A. J. Ensminger
Welcome — Mrs. Paul Ransom
Order of Business
- Presentation of Program
- Committee Appointments
- Report of Recording Secretary
- Report of Treasurer
- Introduction of New Workers

Hymn: "Lead On, O King Eternal" — No. 278
President's Message — Mrs. C. N. Cadwallader
"They Gird the Earth with Valor"
Announcements
Special Music
Conference Officers' Panel — Mrs. M. R. Tatum and Conference Officers
Report of Research Committee — Mrs. George Sexton
Balloting
Benediction — Rev. Ben R. Oliphint

6:00 Dinner at the Frances Hotel
Mrs. Wideman Watson, Presiding
Mrs. Clyde Stuntz, Speaker

Evening Session

"Declare His glory among the nations, His marvelous works among all the peoples." Psalm 96:3

7:30 Organ Prelude — Mrs. Everett Zeagler
Call to Worship: "God of Our Fathers, Whose Holy Name We Seek" — Choir, First Methodist Church
Hymn: "O Zion Haste" — No. 475
Scripture and Prayer — Dr. G. W. Pomeroy

Offering
Anthem: "Sine Nomine" . Vaughan-Williams
Choir, First Methodist Church
Address: "Africa, Land of Decision" Bishop Paul E. Martin
Communion Service
Benediction . . . . . Bishop Paul E. Martin

THURSDAY, MARCH 20, 1958

7:00- 9:00 Clinic Breakfasts
(Conducted by Conference Officers—places to be announced)

Morning Session

"And He said to them, 'Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men'." Matthew 4:19

9:30 Organ Prelude Mrs. W. W. Watson
Hymn: "O Master of the Waking World" No. 480
Opening Worship Dr. Clyde Stuntz
Report of Registration
Balloting
"We, Too, Are Commissioned" Mrs. Glenn Laskey
Hymn: "Once to Every Man and Nation" No. 263
"The Social Witness of the Local Church" . . . Mrs. M. R. Tatum, Presiding
Report of Balloting
Courtesies . . . . . Mrs. Sam Dunbar
12:00 Quiet Time
Hymn: "O Jesus, Master, When Today" No. 470
Special Music
"In the Line of Splendor" Miss Marguerite Twinem
12:45 Luncheon, The Virginia Hotel

Afternoon Session

"And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached throughout the whole world, as a testimony to all nations." Matthew 24:14

1:45 Organ Prelude Mrs. C. H. Myers
Hymn: "Jesus Shall Reign" No. 479
Balloting
"They Walk in Splendor"
Mrs. C. B. McGowan and Workers Under the Woman's Division
Benediction Rev. Lea Joyner
4:00 Tea, Honoring Mrs. C. N. Cadwallader,
Courtesy Mrs. E. N. Jackson, 209 Roselawn
6:00 Dinner at the Frances Hotel—Mrs. Minza Rabun, Presiding
Speaker: Miss Marguerite Twinem

Evening Session

"I am the light of the world; he who follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." John 8:12

7:30 Organ Prelude . . . . Mrs. Everett Zeagler
Charles Wesley Hymn Festival
Choir, The First Methodist Church
"To Love, To Lift, To Light" Mrs. W. W. Paxton
Scripture and Prayer . . . Reverend J. T. Harris
Offering
Offertory
Address: "Light Shines in the Darkness"—Dr. Wesley Hager
Pledge Service by Candlelight
Mrs. J. H. McSween, Presiding
Benediction . . . . . Rev. W. D. Milton

FRIDAY, MARCH 21, 1958

7:00 Wesleyan Service Guild Breakfast
(For all members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service) Speaker: Miss Lillian Johnson

Morning Session

"Their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world." Psalm 19:4

8:30 Organ Prelude ..... Mrs. Harvey Nelson
Hymn: "The Morning Light Is Breaking" ..... No. 487
Opening Worship ..... Miss Willie Mae Porter
Order of Business
Recommendations
Report of Committees
Place of Meeting for 1959
Resolutions
Installation of Officers Mrs. Lee Tidwell, Presiding
Hymn: "Heralds of Christ" ..... No. 482
"The Eight Districts—A Noble Army of Amateurs"
Mrs. C. W. Tebow, Presiding
"Marching or Watching" ..... Miss Lillian Johnson
Solo: "The Lord's Prayer" ..... Malotte
Mrs. Edwin J. Barksdale
Benediction ..... Rev. W. E. Nolan
12:00 Buffet Luncheon..... Courtesy of the Monroe Churches

PROGRAM

WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD

"MISSIONS—ENDLESS LINE OF SPLENDOR"

Thursday Night, March 20—6:30 P.M.—
The Woman's Society of Christian Service invites the Wesleyan Service Guild to Supper, Miss J. Marguerite Twinem, Speaker

Friday Morning, March 21—7:00 A.M.—
The Woman's Society will hold a Guild Clinic Breakfast with Miss Lillian Johnson as Speaker

SATURDAY, MARCH 22, 1958

10:00 A. M. Registration—Frances Hotel, Monroe, La.
10:30 A. M. Conference Executive Committee Meeting—
Room B. Hotel Frances
12:00 Noon Conference Executive Committee Luncheon—
Room 212. Hotel Frances

Afternoon Session

Sanctuary, First Methodist Church

"Jesus, we look to Thee, assembled in Thy name "—Charles Wesley
2:00 P. M. Organ Prelude Mrs. Harvey W. Nelson,
Organist Memorial Methodist Church
Convening of Seventh Annual Conference of
Wesleyan Service Guild Mrs. Minza Rabun, Presiding
Theme Hymn: "Heralds of Christ" No. 482
Welcome ..... Miss Ruth Whatley, Presiding
First Methodist Wesleyan Service Guild
Welcome ..... Dr. Geo. W. Pomeroy, Pastor,
First Methodist Church, Monroe

Meditation ..... Judge Fannie Burch,
Baton Rouge District Chairman Spiritual Life
Business Session
Announcements .....Mrs. T. D. Guthrie, President,
Monroe District WSG
"Conference Guilds in Action"..... Mrs. Minza Rabun
Conference Secretary Wesleyan Service Guild
Guild Hymn
Pledge Service ...Mrs. Charles N. Cadwallader, President,
Conference Woman's Society Christian Service
Benediction ..... Miss Marie Pace

4:15 P. M. Tea—Fellowship Hall of First Methodist Church
Bastrop Guild, Hostess
"O that the world might know the all atoning Lamb"

6:30 P. M. Dinner for Missions—Frances Hotel Roof
Mrs. F. G. Phillips, Presiding
Invocation—Rev. J. T. Harris, District Supt., Monroe Dist.
Introduction of Bishop and Mrs. Paul E. Martin
Presentation of Honorary Memberships
Miss Elizabeth Langford
"Gifts for Missions"..... Miss Margaret McGowan
Address: "Watching or Marching—Which?"—
Miss Lillian Johnson, Executive Secretary,
Wesleyan Service Guild
Benediction .....Mrs. Harriett Russell,
Spiritual Life Chairman, Monroe District, WSG

Evening Session

Sanctuary, Memorial Methodist Church

"O that the world might taste the riches of His name."

8:00 P. M. Organ Prelude ..... Mrs. Harvey W. Nelson
Call to Worship ..... Mrs. B. E. Rodgers
Hymn: "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life"—Page 465
Address: "A Calling to Fulfill"—Miss J. Marguerite Twinem,
Secretary Missionary Personnel
Special Music ..... Choral
Holy Communion ..... Under Direction of Memorial
Methodist Guild and Rev. Ralph Cain, Pastor
Benediction ..... Rev. Ralph Cain

SUNDAY, MARCH 23, 1958

"With confidence we seek Thy face and know our prayer is heard."

7:00 A. M. Breakfast—Hotel Frances .... Miss Arline Tyler, Presiding
Invocation ..... Miss Willa Jones
Special Music
Meditation ..... Mrs. J. T. Harris
Closing Prayer ..... Miss Arline Tyler

"Help us to help each other Lord, Each other's cross to bear"

8:20 A. M. "All Action is Local"—Hotel Frances
Mrs. E. T. Cowell, Presiding
Prayer ..... Mrs. Emily Cooley
Presentation of Christian Social Relation's Phases

"Come, let us anew our journey pursue . . . Inseparably joined in heart."

9:00 A. M. GENERAL SESSION—Hotel Frances
Mrs. Minza Rabun, Presiding
Hymn: "A Charge to Keep" ..... Page 287
Prayer ..... Mrs. Minza Rabun
Address ..... Miss Lillian Johnson

Benediction ..... Miss Sue Hefley
Adjournment

10:50 A. M. Church Service ..... First Methodist Church, Monroe

12:15 Noon Buffet Luncheon—Education Building
First Methodist Church Guild, Hostess

CALLED SESSION

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

June 26, 1957

Mt. Sequoyah, Fayetteville, Arkansas

Mrs. C. N. Cadwallader, president, called the meeting to order and opened the meeting with a reading of the poem "On the Common Tasks," and read from the 12th chapter of Romans, closing with prayer.

Those attending were Mesdames Lee Tidwell, Charles B. McGowan, S. E. Richardson, G. W. Pomeroy, Glenn E. Laskey, F. C. Haley, D. W. Poole, J. H. McSween, Wideman Watson, George Thomas, Kenneth Trumps, W. D. Snelling, Minza Rabun, Sam B. Dunbar, C. N. Cadwallader and M. R. Tatum.

Mrs. Cadwallader reported that no other treasurer be appointed to handle money in Conference School of Missions and Guild Week-end except the Conference Treasurer.

Regional Workshops were discussed by Mrs. Lee Tidwell, announcing that one would be held at Aldersgate, Oct. 22-24. Officers to receive training will be Conference President, Vice-President, Secretaries of Promotion and Wesleyan Service Guild.

Mrs. Glenn Laskey moved that a committee be appointed to decide the dates of the Promotion Workshop in Louisiana. Seconded and carried.

Mrs. Minza Rabun announced that the Guild Week-end would be held at Camp Brewer, July 12, 13, 14. She also asked that after study, a Guild representative be placed on the Constitution and By-Laws Committee of the conference.

A letter is to be written by the Secretary of Promotion, Mrs. George Thomas, to the districts telling which officers are to be emphasized to attend the School of Missions.

Mrs. F. C. Haley announced that 289 JR's had been reported—50 of which were by the Wesleyan Service Guild. There are 312 Secretaries of Missionary Education.

Mrs. Wideman Watson asked that officers who are conducting clinics send a list of the literature they want ordered for the School of Missions. Praise was extended Mrs. Watson on the first publication of The Conference News.

A committee composed of Mrs. Lee Tidwell, Mrs. C. N. Cadwallader and Mrs. J. H. McSween was appointed to clear the dates for the Promotion Workshop in Alexandria.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. CHARLES N. CADWALLADER,
President

MRS. M. R. TATUM,
Acting Secretary

CALLED SESSION

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

Centenary College

The Executive Committee of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Louisiana Conference met in called session at 1:30 P. M. on August 16, 1957 in the Science Building on Centenary College campus.

As a courtesy of the Woman's Society of Noel Memorial Methodist Church, the committee was served delightful refreshments.

Mrs. Charles N. Cadwallader, president, called the meeting to order and read a meaningful devotional from **Climbing the Heights,** following which she led the group in prayer.

Introductions were made and new members of the committee welcomed.

Mrs. Maurice Tatum, acting secretary of the Executive Committee meeting held at Mt. Sequoyah, read the minutes. They were accepted with the following correction: 'It was recommended that the Conference Treasurer act as Treasurer at the Annual Conference School of Missions, and that she be a member of the School of Missions and Christian Service Committee, and also treasurer of Guild Week-end.

The president appointed Mrs. A. J. McGrede and Mrs. Wideman Watson as the Journal Committee for the called session.

Words of appreciation from Miss Elizabeth Thompson to the conference were expressed by Mrs. Cadwallader. She reported that Miss Alexia McCain had stayed in her home for a time during the summer while undergoing a check-up with doctors in New Orleans.

Mrs. S. E. Richardson, secretary of Children's Work, reported that there had been no Children's Workers' Conference as planned and that Dr. Bentley Sloane was holding a meeting of children's workers today. Mrs. Richardson asked to be excused from the Executive Committee meeting in order to attend the planning meeting which Dr. Sloane was conducting.

Mrs. Lee Tidwell, Secretary of Promotion of the South Central Jurisdiction, read a letter which she and the President of the Jurisdiction had sent out to the Conference Presidents, Vice-Presidents, Secretaries of Promotion and Wesleyan Service Guild of the Jurisdiction, concerning the Regional Promotion Workshop which is to be held at Aldersgate Camp, October 22-24, 1957.

In preparation for the Conference Promotion Workshop, Mrs. McSween reported that November 19-20, 1957 had been cleared with First Methodist Church and Hotel Bentley of Alexandria. The meeting is scheduled to open at 10:30 A.M. on the 19th and close after lunch on the 20th. This Workshop is for intensive training of District Presidents, Vice-Presidents, secretaries of Promotion and Wesleyan Service Guild. The Workshop will be held at conference expense. The four district officers will conduct workshops in their districts for local women with each local society bearing the expense of those attending from their society.

Mrs. G. W. Pomeroy moved that tentative dates for the Workshop be set for November 19-21. It was seconded and carried. Mrs. McSween was asked by the president to call the hotel and church in Alexandria to request reservations for Nov. 21, in case additional time is needed.

Mrs. C. C. Dethloff moved that the president appoint a committee to set dates of annual district meetings with reference to securing Miss Mary Sue Brown to itinerate in the conference to speak at district meetings. Seconded and carried. Mrs. F. C. Haley was named as chairman of this committee, with Mrs. Dethloff and Mrs. Waggoner and the eight district presidents.

Dates for the Annual Woman's Society meeting and Wesleyan Service Guild were announced by the president for March 19-21, 1958 and March 22-23, 1958, respectively, at Monroe, La. Sessions will be held at First Methodist Church. The Frances Hotel will be headquarters hotel. Dr. James K. Matthews, executive secretary of South Asia, has been secured as the speaker on Thursday evening, March 20.

The recording secretary made necessary announcements regarding Annual Report, stationery for officers and corrections for the directory.

Mrs. Watson reported on the conference newssheet which she had had printed and mailed out. Mrs. Whitaker moved that three editions be mailed out in this year, spacing the editions as needed to be most helpful to local officers. Seconded and carried. Mrs. McSween moved that an edition of the paper be sent out before September 1 and that the matter be turned over to the Finance Committee for study and report to the mid-year Executive Committee meeting. It was seconded and carried.

A report on the Retreat at Caney Lake, Oct. 7-8 was made by Mrs. Watson. There will be accommodations for 100. In addition to the Executive Committee which numbers 45 and five Wesleyan Service Guild Chairmen, six persons may be invited to attend the Retreat from each district. The president asked that each District Executive Committee decide which officers shall attend from their district. Following the Retreat the Executive Committee of the conference will meet in mid-year session at First Methodist Church, Homer, La. The secretary was asked to include information about the Retreat in the call letter to mid-year meeting.

Mrs. Haley announced the School of Missions, Aug. 11-15, 1958.

The Seminar Planning Committee sent in the following recommendations: (1) that a film on a current study be purchased to be used throughout the conference as requested. This film is to be selected by conference Secretary of Missionary Education and handled by her and to be purchased with Seminar Funds; (2) that study outlines and bibliographies be considered Seminar expense and financed from Seminar funds. This would give each society and Guild unit one complete packet. Other outlines or single copies may be purchased for a nominal fee from the conference Secretary of Missionary Education. Mrs. Haley moved the adoption of the recommendations. Seconded and carried.

Mrs. Tatum spoke of the possibility of the Foreign Aid Bill being cut again. She made the motion that the Executive Committee send a recommendation to Congressmen, urging them to vote not to reduce foreign aid. It was seconded and carried. Committee members were asked to write Congressmen individually.

Since questions continue to arise regarding the conference gift of $3000 annually to Louisiana Moral and Civic Foundation, Mrs. Tatum stated that this annual contribution was discontinued as of May, 1957. Mrs. Tatum moved that the secretary write Dr. Earl Hotalen of the LMCF a letter, reminding him of this action. It was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Harris brought greetings from Miss Pat Alexander who is now at home in Sterlington, La. If plans work out Miss Alexander will serve in Mantanza, Cuba when she returns to the field. Miss Alexander is available for speaking engagements, Mrs. Harris stated.

The secretary was asked to write a note of sympathy to Miss Elizabeth Thompson whose father recently passed away.

Mrs. McSween announced that Nov. 19-21 for the Conference Promotion Workshop had been cleared in Alexandria.

By common consent the meeting adjourned with Mrs. George Sexton leading the dismissal prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Charles N. Cadwallader, Pres.
Mrs. James C. Whitaker, Rec. Sec'y.

Approved: Mrs. A. J. McGrede
Mrs. Wideman Watson

MID-YEAR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

First Methodist Church, Homer, Louisiana

October 8, 9, 1957

The Mid-Year Executive Committee Meeting, Woman's Society of Christian Service, the Louisiana Conference, was called to order Tuesday, October 8, 1957, 3:30 p.m. by the president, Mrs. Charles N. Cadwallader, in the chapel of the beautiful new Educational Building of the First Methodist Church of Homer, Louisiana. Mrs. Cadwallader used as her opening devotional, "My Prayer of Affirmation" (Louise Eggleston), followed by her own prayer.

Mrs. Cadwallader spoke in glowing terms of the fine retreat, prior to the business meeting, conducted at Caney Lake by Mrs. Louise Eggleston for members of the Executive Committee and District Officers. She expressed the hope that Mrs. Eggleston could return to Louisiana, perhaps in February, 1958, and lead a Conference-wide retreat over a weekend.

In absence of the Recording Secretary, Mrs. James C. Whitaker, Mrs. W. E. Trice acted as secretary and called the roll of the Committee. Thirty members were present and the following absent: Mesdames J. C. Whitaker, J. H. McSween, George H. Thomas, W. W. Paxton, A. F. Hanson, J. T. Harris, W. L. Kirkpatrick, Glenn R. Nordyke, P. D. Lambert, Paul Lasseigne, Kenneth Trumps, L. H. Cashen, George Grafton, and Glenn Laskey. Mrs. Cadwallader appointed the secretary and Mrs. Haley and Mrs. Watson to send an appropriate message to those who were absent. Because of the large number of messages to be sent it was agreed that a letter to each one would be in order, rather than a telegram as has been the custom when there were fewer absent.

Mrs. Cadwallader appointed the following on the Journal Committee: Mrs. Sam Dunbar and Mrs. D. W. Poole.

The minutes of the called session of the Executive Committee at the School of Missions, Shreveport, Louisiana, August 16, 1957, were read and approved.

Mrs. Cadwallader called on the two Jurisdiction officers present to speak to the group. Mrs. Sam Dunbar, Jurisdiction Secretary of Supply Work expressed her appreciation at being included in the retreat at Caney Lake previous to the Executive Session and being a part of the business meeting. Mrs. Lee Tidwell, Jurisdiction Secretary of

Promotion, told of her various activities in the area, especially with reference to the Workshops on Promotion which she is helping to set up in every Conference. District officers will attend these workshops and they in turn will conduct workshops for the local officers within each District.

The Vice-President, Mrs. G. W. Pomeroy, expressed her concern at the manner in which the local societies were observing the Week of Prayer and Self Denial. The original observation of the week, she pointed out, was intended as an opportunity to extend the missionary enterprise through extra giving. Many observe the day apart and receive the offering without really educating the women concerning the great need of the various institutions.

The Recording Secretary, Mrs. J. C. Whitaker sent a written report regarding her activities, especially with regard to the publishing and distribution of the Annual Report. Eight hundred copies have been printed, with the total cost paid to the printer, $1,058.13.

Due to the absence of the **treasurer,** Mrs. J. H. McSween, there was no report and Mrs. F. C. Haley was asked to convene the Finance Committee.

Since Mrs. George Thomas, **Secretary of Promotion** was absent, the Jurisdiction Secretary, Mrs. Tidwell urged that the District Secretaries send their reports to Mrs. Thomas and not to her.

Secretary of Missionary Education, Mrs. F. C. Haley, reported that Miss Mary Sue Brown had been secured to itinerate through the Conference for the District meetings in the spring (the exact dates to be set by the District Secretaries of Promotion). The purchase of the film, "Younger Brother" had not been carried out, as it had been hoped, since she had not been able to find the agency from which the purchase could be made until recently. (Rev. Douglas McGuire, Shreveport, was suggested as person from whom some free visual aid materials were available). The lease price of such a film as "Younger Brother" is $240.00 (color) and $160.00 (black and white.)

Mrs. Haley announced that Centenary College had given the Conference the dates of August 11-15, 1958 for the School of Missions. Dr. Joe Mickel, president of Centenary College, had informed the Woman's Society that in 1959 the dates must run consecutively with the Pastors' School, rather than having a week between the two schools as has been the custom. This is necessary because of the problem of vacation time for workers in the College cafeteria.

The School of Missions for 1957, Mrs. Haley reported, had a total enrollment, including guests and faculty, of 310 (289 students enrolled) and 254 credit cards issued. There were 110 churches represented with an enrollment of 140 in the Workshops and 183 in the Clinics. The total sale of literature amounted to $1,039.88 with $175.00 given in the offering for Missions and $38.66 given as a love gift to the help in the cafeteria.

An incomplete total of the District Missionary Seminars shows the number of Societies attending, 205; number of Secretaries of Missionary Education, 89; number of persons registered, 1,013; balance of offering after deduction of expenses, $95.32.

The dates for the Jurisdiction School of Missions at Mt. Sequoyah for 1958 are June 23-28, inclusive. The Quadrennial pattern of attendance for 1958 is as follows:

Officers: President and Vice-President.
Secretaries: Missionary Education and Service
Christian Social Relations
Spiritual Life
Wesleyan Service Guild

Promotion
Literature and Publications
Missionary Personnel
Student Work
Youth Work

The studies for 1958 will be as follows:

Foreign	Near East
Home	Christian Concern of North American Neighbors
Christian Social Relations	Understanding Other Cultures
Bible	Book of Isaiah

Following her report, Mrs. Haley submitted her resignation to the Executive Committee as Conference Secretary of Missionary Education, due to personal reasons. After prayer Mrs. Pomeroy moved that we ask Mrs. Haley to reconsider her resignation and be assured of the confidence of the Committee. The motion was seconded and carried. Mrs. Haley thanked the group for its confidence, but said, due to circumstances, she felt unable to continue. Mrs. Dunbar moved that we accept Mrs. Haley's resignation, reluctantly, under the circumstances. It was seconded and carried.

Secretary of Missionary Service, Mrs. Lonnie Clark reported that letters or telephone calls have been made to every one of our Louisiana missionaries, deaconesses, and workers since the Annual Meeting in March. She announced that Margaret Wade Campbell is home; that Anna Givens is teaching in the hills of Kentucky at Erie College, Erie, Kentucky; Miss Willie Mae Porter, recently retired, is living at 1408 Jackson St., Monroe (an excellent missionary speaker). A member of the Executive Committee reported that a recent communication had been received from Alexa McCain, indicating that she was doing some teaching at a school in Kentucky.

Secretary of Christian Relations, Mrs. M. R. Tatum, thanked the Committee for giving her the privilege of serving in her office and being able to attend the United Nations Seminar. She was thoroughly convinced that the United Nations is still the biggest potential for peace. The Department of Christian Social Relations continues its support of the United Nations by 1) observing United Nations Day on October 24; 2) cooperating with the Halloween Trick or Treat for UNICEF; 3) buying UNICEF greeting cards; 4) writing Senators and Representatives urging them not to cut appropriations to the UN for technical assistance. It is further urged that all local women write to Washington, asking that appropriations for foreign aid not be cut.

The Department of Christian Social Relations asks each local society to study "In Every Place a Voice" and that the Christian Social Relations Committee in each society, district, and conference fill out the Check Sheet on the Charter of Racial Policies.

All local societies are asked to observe Human Rights Day, December 10 and to write to our Congressman for the revision of the existing immigration laws.

Mrs. Pomeroy suggested that a flyer on the United Nations may be secured for insertion in church bulletins from the following address:

United Nations
Department of State Publication 6520
Washington 25. D. C.

Another type of publication is available under the following address:

United Nations Week
Board of World Peace
740 Rush St.
Chicago, Illinois

The afternoon session was closed with a prayer, led by Mrs. Dunbar.

Tuesday Evening Session

Following a delicious dinner served by members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Homer church, the Executive Committee reconvened in the Chapel of the Education Building. Mrs. Trice opened the evening session with the reading of a prayer of Susanna Wesley.

Secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild, Mrs. Minza Rabun reported that 24 Guild women attended the Jurisdiction Guild weekend at Mt. Sequoyah in June and that the Louisiana Conference President, Mrs. Cadwallader, was elected to the Jurisdiction Standing Committee.

The Eleventh Annual Guild Weekend at Camp Brewer in July had 118 in attendance. Mrs. F. C. Haley was the guest speaker. Twenty-one Guild women received credit at the Conference School of Missions in August.

In September the Secretary conducted the annual Coaching Conference for the purpose of training officers and chairmen of Lines of Work. In October, meeting with a committee especially appointed, Mrs. Rabun worked on the drafting of rules for the Wesleyan Service Guild to be presented to the chairman of the Constitution and By-Laws Committee of the Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service.

Mrs. Rabun reported 1.875 Guild members now in the Conference, paying a total of $2,784.12 on the pledge to the Division and a total paid on Appropriations of $3,329.77. The total paid on foreign and home Supply Work is $411.10.

It was announced that Rev. William Stokes has replaced Miss Pearlye May Kelly as Student Director of the Wesley Foundation at Louisiana Tech in Ruston. Miss Kelly's new address is Homer Toberman Settlement, Los Angeles, California.

Secretary of Student Work, Mrs. D. W. Poole, reported on her activities in teaching the current Mission Study Courses in Seminars and in the Louisiana Conference School of Missions this summer. She called attention to the play, "Three Doors to Tomorrow" appearing in the September issue of **The Methodist Woman,** and urged that it be used in every society to promote student work.

Mrs. Poole reported on a letter from Miss Lillian Hay, State Student Director of the Methodist Student Movement, asking that the Conference again supply $150.00 towards the expenses of students who will attend the Quadrennial Student Conference at Lawrence, Kansas, in December. The matter was referred to the Finance Committee for its consideration.

Secretary of Youth Work, Mrs. W. E. Trice, told of the tremendous amount of activities which the young people in the Methodist Youth Fellowship groups in Louisiana are doing, especially in the areas of National and World Missions, the Ecumenical Movement, Peace and World Order, and Overseas Relief and Reconstruction. Some of the best work is done by the secretaries in the local churches in stimulating interest in missions by helping the promotion of the MYFund and supplying supplementary material for the foreign and home mission studies.

Due to the absence of the **Secretary of Missionary Personnal,** Mrs. J. T. Harris, there was no report for her work, although there was some discussion on the best channels through which young people should go to do missionary work.

Secretary of Children's Work, Mrs. S. E. Richardson reported that she had been able to attend the School of Missions at Mt. Sequoyah and at Centenary College and had conducted a clinic for Children's Secretaries and a workshop on Audio-Visual Aids (enrollment of 41). She told of a meeting with the State Council of Children's Workers at which time plans were set in motion for Fall Institutes on Missionary Education of Children in every district. Specific training for the units

on Japan for Primary and Juniors will be given as well as help by age groups in Kindergarten and Nursery. Filmstrips have been bought and will be circulated throughout the state.

Secretary of Literature and Publications, Mrs. Wideman Watson, reported that the sale of literature has increased at School of Missions and in the Seminars. She attended the School of Missions at Mt. Sequoyah, Centenary College, and the Guild Weekend at Camp Brewer, and the Shreveport and Ruston District Guild Seminar at Caney Lake. The sale of literature at School of Missions and in the Guild Weekend and Seminar totaled $1,361.19.

Mrs. Watson mailed 1200 copies of the Conference News at the beginning of two periods this year.

The South Central Jurisdiction won the banner for new subscriptions to the **World Outlook** and **The Methodist Woman.**

The Louisiana Conference will be represented at Literature Headquarters in Cincinnati, Ohio, by Mrs. Watson when all Conference Chairmen of Literature and Publications will convene there soon.

Secretary of Supply Work, Mrs. C. B. McGowan, reported that twelve institutions on the Home Field and four fields of work on the Foreign Field have been assigned to the Louisiana Conference for 1957-58, with a total of $5,080.00 in askings for the Home Field and $5,595.00 for Supply Work on the Foreign Field.

During the first period of 1957 each institution assigned to the Louisiana Conference has been sent some Supply money (total of $1,573.93 sent to institutions on the Home Field and $1,460.80 sent for the Foreign Field.)

Many reports have been received of interesting "Christmas in August" parties. Two new coupons have been added to the list of those needed at St. Mark's Community Center: "Joan of Arc" and "Pride of Illinois" canned goods.

The name of Mothers' Jewels Home, York, Nebraska, will soon be changed to Methodist Youth Home.

Mrs. D. W. Poole, chairman of the MacDonell Board at Houma, Louisiana reported that the home is doing very well, but that the Board is looking for a couple as head residents. Miss Ann Coucoulles, who was recently at MacDonnell, is now studying in New Orleans. Mrs. Clark moved and Mrs. Poole seconded a motion that the executive Committee send a note of appreciation to Miss Coucoulles for her work. The motion carried.

Mrs. Cadwallader asked Mrs. Trice to meet with the Finance Committee immediately following adjournment.

The session was closed with Mrs. Cadwallader reading a worship service for small groups from the **Book of Worship.** Mrs. Tidwell led the closing prayer.

Wednesday Morning Session

The Executive Committee convened Wednesday morning in the Chapel with the singing of the hymn, "Breathe on Me, Breath of God." Mrs. Cadwallader read a Prayer for Missions from the **Book of Worship** and closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Mrs. Cadwallader spoke again of the help Mrs. Eggleston had been to the spiritual lives of all present at the Spiritual Life Retreat held just prior to the Executive Committee sessions. She pointed out that Mrs. Eggleston would be available for a Conference-wide retreat on either of two dates: February 23-24 or March 9-10.

Mrs. Pomeroy moved that we promote an inter-church retreat, preferable at Alexandria, led by Mrs. Eggleston, the freewill offering to be used as the honorarium, the dates to be arranged. It was seconded and passed.

The Committee was adjourned to meet in committee meetings. Mrs. Sexton, Mrs. Tatum, Mrs. Tidwell, Mrs. Dunbar, and Mrs. Poole were asked to sit in on the Program Committee. Mrs. Wynn and Mrs. Aycock were asked by Mrs. Cadwallader to serve as the Committee on Resolutions. Mrs. Coorpender was asked to convene the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Mrs. Tackaberry dismissed the group with prayer.

Following a delightful "coffee break" in the beautiful new parlor of the Education Building, the Committee reconvened in the Chapel with Mrs. Ensminger leading in prayer.

Mrs. Coorpender, secretary for the Finance Committee, presented the recommendations of the Committee as follows:

1) That the pledge to missions to the Woman's Division of Christian Service for the year 1958-59 be $104,400.00.
2) That the budget for 1958-59 be $9,575.00.
3) That the Districts' pledge to the Conference be $113,975.00.
4) a. That we re-assume the support of the salary of a Youth Worker on the staff of the Louisiana Moral and Civic Foundation--up to the amount of $3,000.00: this money to be raised on the level of the local societies by budget or freewill offering at the rate of twenty-five cents per member.
   b. That all funds sent in last year in excess of $3,000, and designated "Alcohol Education Fund" and sent in during this year be channeled to the Louisiana Moral and Civic Foundation.
5) That the $100.00 budgeted for "student Regional Conference" in 1957-58 be increased by $50.00, taken from the budget item "Cooperative Meetings": and that the total of $150.00 be used for delegates to the Quadrennial Conference of the National Methodist Student Movement at Lawrence, Kansas in December.
6) That we publish the Newsletter in February, and that a committee be appointed to consider whether or not it be continued beyond that date.
7) That the mileage rate for transportation be increased to five cents per mile.
8) That World Banks be used with a well-planned, meaningful dedicatory service for "ingathering."

Mrs. Coorpender moved the adoption of the recommendations. It was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Pomeroy moved that the School of Missions use the typewriter orignially bought for Miss Elizabeth Thompson; and that the care of the desk and chair, also formerly used by Miss Thompson, be given to Mrs. M. R. Tatum. Motion was seconded and carried.

It was moved by Mrs. Pomeroy that Mrs. Cadwallader take the opportunity of attending the Annual Meeting of the Woman's Division at Buck Hill Falls, Pa., and use the money available in the budget for the purpose. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Haley reported for the Committee on Itineration at the annual meeting of the districts.

Mrs. Tidwell pointed out that a retired missionary, such as Miss Brown, can accept and keep a love offering for her own personal use. She felt that the Conference would want to give Miss Brown such a gift ($100.00) to be prorated among the Districts ($12.50 from each one).

Mrs. Coorpender presented a report of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws as follows:

1) Article VI, Section 13 be amended to include the name of the Secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild.

2) A Standing Rule, to be numbered, number 13, shall read as follows: "The Program Committee shall meet immediately following the Annual Meeting to consider plans for selecting speakers for the next Annual Meeting. Where possible, speakers who come from a distance shall be secured to address both the Annual Meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service and the Wesleyan Service Guild."

It was moved and seconded that the report of the Committee be voted on at the Annual Meeting. Motion carried.

The group was dismissed by a prayer led by Mrs. Watson.

Wednesday Afternoon Session

Following the serving of a lovely luncheon by the women of the Homer Woman's Society of Christian Service, the various committees continued in session and reconvened for the afternoon business meeting of the Executive Committee in the Chapel. Mrs. Rabun led the group in a meditation and prayer.

Mrs. Dunbar reported that the Journal Committee had examined the minutes and found them in order.

Mrs. Cadwallader reported that it would be impossible to meet in February in Alexandria for the Conference-wide Spiritual Life Retreat. Mrs. Richardson was asked to investigate Trinity Church, Alexandria, for such a meeting. Another suggestion was the possibility of University Church, Baton Rouge.

Mrs. Trice reported that Dr. James K. Matthews, Bishop Paul E. Martin, Miss Marguerite Twinem, and Miss Lillian Johnson have been secured as speakers for the Annual Meeting in Monroe, March 19-21, 1958.

Mrs. Watson asked that the Conference Newsletter be mailed out with the Call to the Annual Meeting.

The School of Missions Report for 1958, read by Mrs. Watson, recommended that:

1) There be four Bible teachers, two teachers for the foreign mission course, two teachers for the home mission course, and one teacher for the Christian Social Relations course.
2) We discourage the collection of money for gifts to teachers. A gift, limited in price, as an expression of appreciation is acceptable.
3) The Districts plan to divide their delegation for different courses at the School of Missions for Seminar leadership, so as to keep down expenses for the Districts.

It was moved and seconded that the recommendations be accepted. Motion carried.

Mrs. George Sexton, chairman of the Research Committee, asked that the Executive Committee send her any names they knew for consideration by her committee.

Due to present difficulties in purchasing a film for use in the Conference, Mrs. Poole moved, and it was seconded, that efforts to purchase the film "Younger Brother" be dropped and that another film be purchased in another year. Motion carried.

Mrs. Haley stated that she had bought a filmstrip, "The Church of Nishio" for use in the Conference.

Mrs. Tidwell reported on a long distance telephone call received during the afternoon session from Mrs. Thomas, the Conference Secretary of Promotion who is to undergo an operation immediately. Mrs. Cadwallader asked Mrs. Tidwell to lead the group in a prayer for Mrs. Thomas.

Mrs. Wynn, chairman of the Committee on Resolutions, read several resolutions and moved that the Secretary send copies to the hosts and hostesses. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Dunbar moved that qualifications of each nominee be listed on a sheet to furnish to the voting delegates before an election at the Annual Meeting. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Dethloff moved that the Executive Committee give a rising vote of appreciation for the help Mrs. Haley and Mrs. Watson had given to make the meeting of the Executive Committee in Homer so successful. The motion was seconded and the group rose in appreciation.

Mrs. Cadwallader asked Mrs. Sexton to close the session with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Chas. N. Cadwallader, President

Mrs. W. E. Trice, Acting Secretary

PRE-ANNUAL

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

MONROE, LOUISIANA

MARCH 18, 1958

The Executive Committee of the Louisiana Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service met at 1:30 p.m. for luncheon in the beautiful parsonage home of the Reverend and Mrs. G. W. Pomeroy, 1303 Speed Avenue, Monroe, March 18, 1958. The very delicious meal was a courtesy of the churches of the Twin Cities, Monroe and West Monroe. Our special guest, Mr. Charles N. Cadwallader, offered the blessing.

The business session followed. Members present were: Mesdames Charles N. Cadwallader, G. W. Pomeroy, James C. Whitaker, J. H. McSween, C. W. Tebow, P. D. Lambert, Maurice Tatum, Minza Rabun, D. W. Poole, Wm. E. Trice, Wideman Watson, C. B. McGowan, W. W. Paxton, A. F. Hanson, J. T. Harris, George Sexton, C. C. Dethloff, Kathleen Waggoner, Glen R. Nordyke, Sr., R. O. Coorpender, A. O. Buckingham, A. J. McGrede, A. J. Ensminger, A. H. Harper, C. J. Tackaberry, R. S. Wade, Carl Gallaher, L. K. Wells, L. C. Aycock, B. F. Patterson, Jr., J. T. Eubank, W. D. Snelling, Glenn E. Laskey, Sam Dunbar, Lee Tidwell and Miss Ola Mae Pennington. Absent members were: Mesdames S. E. Richardson, Lonnie Clark, W. L. Kirkpatrick, Paul Lasseigne, Kenneth Trumps, Robert Compton, L. H. Cashen and George Grafton.

Mrs. Cadwallader, the president, opened the session with the reading of a prayer from the booklet, "Youth at Prayer." Special words of greetings were expressed to Mrs. Laskey, member of the Woman's Division and to Mrs. Sexton, chairman of Research. Words of welcome were extended to Mrs. Tidwell and Mrs. Dunbar, officers of the South Central Jurisdiction; to Mrs. Tebow and Mrs. Lambert, new conference officers; to Mrs. L. K. Wells, new president of Ruston District and to Mrs. J. B. Mouton, vice-president of the Lake Charles District, who represented her district in the absence of the District President and Secretary of Promotion.

Beautiful mother of pearl pins which were made in the Philippines were presented to members of the committee as an expression of appreciation and love from our president, Mrs. Cadwallader.

Mrs. Trice, chairman of the program for the Annual Meeting, was introduced. She lifted up various emphases of the program, particularly, the Clinic Breakfasts and the Wesleyan Service Guild Breakfast. She urged conference officers to make the most of the training opportunity which the clinic breakfasts would afford.

Mrs. C. B. McGowan and Mrs. D. W. Poole were appointed as the Journal Committee.

Fellowship Luncheon for Thursday noon was announced. Officers were asked to sit at the head table. Life Memberships will be presented at this luncheon.

Mrs. Tatum explained the Conference Officers' Hour on Wednesday afternoon. Each officer will have two or three minutes to present her line of work as it relates to the theme, "Missions—Endless Line of Splendor."

Mrs. McSween announced practice for the pledge service would be held following the service on Wednesday evening.

The president expressed appreciation to members of the program committee, especially to the chairman, Mrs. Trice.

Mrs. Paxton was introduced to lead the devotional on "Prayer." She spoke of the prayer vigil being held over the conference during the Annual Meeting. She based her remarks on Dr. Frank Laubach's book, **Prayer, the Mightiest Force in the World.** "Enough of us, if we pray enough, could save the world." How can we attain the power of prayer in our lives? She suggested four ways, basing these on the qualities which the Wise Men had as they visited the Infant Jesus. The Wise Men were honest, straightforward; came with difficulties, but overcame them; showed happiness in their search for Christ; were devoted whole-heartedly and completely. At the conclusion, Mrs. Mouton sang as a prayer, "Jesus Stand Among Us."

Telegrams of greetings were read from the Woman's Society Annual Meeting of North Arkansas, Texas and Nebraska Conferences. Messages in return were voted to be sent. Mrs. Cadwallader appointed Mrs. Dunbar, Mrs. Ensminger and Miss Pennington to send these and to write letters to absent members of the Executive Committee.

The secretary read a resolution from the Executive Committee of the Ruston District Woman's Society of Christian Service, relative to the Louisiana Conference Woman's Society taking the necessary action to remove the Louisiana Conference Woman's Society signature from the "Charter of Racial Policies."

Mrs. Laskey and Mrs. Sexton spoke of their interpretation of the action taken by the Louisiana Conference Woman's Society at their Annual Meeting in 1953 in regard to the Charter of Racial Policies. Mrs. Cadwallader presented the opinions of lawyers whom she had called upon to give an interpretation.

The hour for adjournment had arrived. Mrs. Sexton dismissed with prayer.

Tuesday Evening, March 18

The Executive Committee met for dinner in the Social Hall of the St. Paul's Methodist Church of Monroe, as guests of the churches of the Twin Cities. Dr. Ben R. Oliphint, the pastor host, offered the invocation. The president presented the district officers, guests, and local committee.

Business session was resumed in the church parlor of St. Paul's Church, with Mrs. Laskey offering the prayer.

Mrs. Trice moved that the Resolution submitted by the Executive Committee of the Ruston District Woman's Society of Christian Service be referred to the Judicial Council of the Methodist Church for an

opinion as to the position of the Louisiana Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service in relation to the Charter of Racial Policies of the Woman's Division and that the Executive Committee of the Ruston District be so advised of this action. Seconded and carried.

Upon motion of Mrs. Trice, it was voted that the president of the Louisiana Conference Woman's Society, upon having an opinion from the Judicial Council, should call for a report at the nearest regular Executive Committee meeting.

A motion was made by Mrs. Sexton that a committee be named to implement the motion in regard to the Resolution from Ruston District, according to the Discipline Article 909. It was seconded and carried. Those appointed to the committee were: Mesdames Trice, Whitaker, Laskey, Sexton and Tidwell.

A letter was read from Mrs. Lonnie Clark in regard to the proper handling of news received from workers on the mission field. A motion was made by the recording secretary that news letters from workers be channeled by the Secretary of Missionary Service to district Secretaries of Missionary Education and Service and on to the local societies for use on the local level. Seconded and carried.

Upon motion made by Mrs. Laskey, it was voted that corsages for mothers of Margaret Wade Campbell and Norma Garlington be presented to them at the commissioning of their daughters at the Assembly.

District meeting dates were announced as follows:

Shreveport—First Methodist Church	April 8
Ruston—Springhill	April 9
Monroe—Rayville	April 10
Alexandria—Natchitoches	April 11
Baton Rouge—Denham Springs	April 15
New Orleans—St. Luke's Methodist	April 16
Lafayette—Houma	April 17
Lake Charles—University Church	April 18

Miss Mary Sue Brown will itinerate and speak at each meeting.

The meeting of the South Central Jurisdiction was announced for May 5 at the Sheraton-Jefferson Hotel in St. Louis. Delegates to the Jurisdiction meeting will remain for the meeting of the Assembly at conference expense.

Mrs. Tidwell moved that the third delegate to the Assembly be elected by a nominating ballot. Seconded and carried.

Mrs. C. W. Tebow was elected as the third delegate to the Assembly. The two other delegates, the President and Secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild, attend by virtue of office. Mrs. Whitaker was elected as the alternate for Mrs. Tebow.

Mrs. Cadwallader appointed Mrs. Laskey as Parliamentarian for the Annual Meeting.

Tellers for the Annual Meeting election were named as follows: Mrs. Wideman Watson, Chairman. Group A: Mesdames Harold Legeai, H. B. Staples, W. B. Stall, Martha Hayes, Charles Stokes, Dan Knight, Clark Gillingham, John R. Adams; Group B: Mesdames Jack Toombs, Al Paddock, L. C. Frederick, Ruth Cain, Alton Granger, L. K. Wells, L. C. Poindexter and John Richardson.

Resolutions Committee: Mesdames W. R. Simmons, Kenneth Swartwood, and D. O. Cardwell.

Miss Anna Clark Whitaker was unanimously elected to attend the Assembly as the youth delegate from the Louisiana Conference.

Each district was asked to report number planning to attend the luncheon at the meeting of the South Central Jurisdiction in St. Louis on May 5.

A report from the retiring Secretary of Missionary Education, Mrs. F. C. Haley, showed a balance of $219.10.

Mrs. Pomeroy moved that the Finance Committee re-write recommendation 4 (a), which would make clear the recommendation passed at the mid-year meeting. Seconded and carried.

School of Missions and Christian Service Committee meeting was announced for Wednesday morning, 9:30 in Room 616 of the Frances Hotel.

Mrs. McSween reported for Mrs. S. E. Richardson who was absent. She stated that it had been impossible to circulate the filmstrips for use in children's groups throughout the conference, because of the demand.

Mrs. Poole expressed appreciation for the gift of money from the conference which was used by the students attending the Quadrennial National Student meeting in Lawrence, Kansas.

Mrs. Watson lifted from the delegates' packet the Reprint from **The Methodist Woman** of September, 1940. She stated that the policy of the magazine was still the same as in its beginning; that color had been added and that we should make larger use of the magazine.

Mrs. Tebow reported that there are twenty-six churches in the conference which have no Woman's Society or district member. She passed out the composite report of the Secretary of Promotion for the second report period.

A letter was read from Mr. Howard W. Woodruff of Watson Memorial Methodist Church, Independence, Missouri, regarding our conference making a contribution toward postage for the World Service and Missionary Candle which will be used at the South Central Jurisdictional Board of Missions meeting at Mt. Sequoyah this summer. Upon motion made by Mrs. Laskey it was voted to send ten dollars.

Mrs. Rabun expressed appreciation for the emphasis given Wesleyan Service Guild at the dinner on Thursday evening and the breakfast on Friday morning.

Mrs. Trice moved there should be a Standing Rule of the Conference to be numbered 10 to read: "That the conference shall pay the expense of the conference President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer and Secretary of Promotion at the hotel during the Annual Meeting." Seconded and carried. Rules 10, 11, 12 and 13 of Standing Rules of the Conference will be numbered Rules 11, 12, 13, and 14.

Mrs. Whitaker called for a meeting of the Committee on Annual Report following the adjournment.

Mrs. Cadwallader expressed appreciation again to the officers and members of the Executive Committee. As a token of her love and esteem, she presented each member with a Corsage for Missions, which Mrs. Lonnie Clark had designed for her. Each ribbon corsage represented a gift to missions which Mrs. Cadwallader had made in honor of each member.

Mrs. Tidwell offered the prayer of dismissal.

Luncheon, Wednesday Noon

The Executive Committee met for luncheon at the Country Club of Monroe as guests of the Monroe District. Mrs. A. J. Ensminger, district president, presided. Dr.. J. T. Harris, district superintendent of the district, offered the prayer. Special guests were Dr. James T. Harris, Dr. G. W. Pomeroy, Mr. Cadwallader and Monroe District officers.

At the conclusion of the meal, Mrs. Cadwallader called a brief meeting of the Executive Committee.

Mrs. Rabun moved that the Executive Committee ratify the election of Mrs. C. W. Tebow as Secretary of Promotion and Mrs. P. D. Lambert as Secretary of Missionary Education. It was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Whitaker made the motion that Standing Rule 14 be edited to read as follows: "The Program Committee shall meet during or immediately following the Annual Meeting to consider plans for selecting speakers for the next Annual Meeting. Whenever possible, speakers who come from a distance shall be secured to address both the Annual Meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service and the Wesleyan Service Guild." Seconded and carried.

The committee adjourned to meet at 2 p.m. at the First Methodist Church.

JOURNAL OF THE EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

MONROE, LOUISIANA

MARCH 19-21, 1958

The Eighteenth Annual Meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Louisiana Conference convened in First Methodist Church, Monroe, Louisiana on Wednesday, March 19, 1958 at 2:00 p.m. with the President, Mrs. Charles N. Cadwallader, sounding the gavel.

Following the organ prelude, Mrs. Edwin J. Barksdale, Guest Song Leader for the Meeting, led in singing the hymn "Heralds of Christ."

Mrs. A. J. Ensminger, president of the Woman's Society of Monroe District, led the opening worship of scripture reading and prayer.

Mrs. Cadwallader presented Mrs. Paul Ransom, President of the Woman's Society of the host church, who gave a warm welcome from her church and the churches of the Twin Cities.

The president introduced Mrs. Wm. E. Trice, chairman of the Program for the Annual Meeting, who explained various phases of the program. She stated that the program had been dedicated to all those who have served "in the endless line of splendor."

Mrs. Whitaker, the Recording Secretary, read recommendations from the Executive Committee as follows: (These are taken from the ad interim meetings of the committee):

1. That the conference Treasurer act as Treasurer at the Annual Conference School of Missions, that she serve as a member of the School of Missions and Christian Service Committee, and that she serve as Treasurer of the Guild Week-end.

2. That three editions of the conference Newssheet be printed and mailed out in this year, spacing the editions as needed to be most helpful to local officers.

3. That study outlines and bibliographies be considered Seminar expenses and financed from Seminar Funds.

4. That the Executive Committee send a recommendation to Congressmen urging them to vote not to reduce foreign aid.

5. That the School of Missions use the typewriter originally bought for Miss Elizabeth Thompson; and that the desk and chair, also formerly used by Miss Thompson, be given into Mrs. M. R. Tatum's custody.

6. That Article VI, Section 13 be amended to include the name of the Secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild.

7. That a Standing Rule, to be numbered Number 10, read as follows: "The Conference shall pay expense of conference President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer and Secretary of Promotion at hotel during Annual Meeting."

8. That a Standing Rule, to be numbered 14 shall read as follows: "The Program Committee shall meet during or immediately following the Annual Meeting to consider plans for selecting speakers for the next Annual Meeting. Whenever possible, speakers who come from a distance shall be secured to address both the Annual Meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service and the Wesleyan Service Guild."

9. That qualifications of each nominee be listed on a sheet to furnish to the voting delegates before an election at the Annual Meeting.

10. That the Resolution submitted by the Executive Committee of the Ruston District Woman's Society of Christian Service be referred to the Judicial Council of the Methodist Church for an opinion as to the position of the Louisiana Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service in relation to the Charter of Racial Policies of the Woman's Division and that the Executive Committee of the Ruston District be so advised of this action.

11. That news from workers in the home and foreign fields be channeled through some definite medium to the local societies.

12. That Mrs. C. W. Tebow, named by the Administrative Committee and ratified by the Executive Committee succeed Mrs. George Thomas as Secretary of Promotion and that Mrs. P. D. Lambert, named by the Administrative Committee and ratified by the Executive Committee succeed Mrs. F. C. Haley as Secretary of Missionary Education.

13. That Mrs. C. W. Tebow be the third delegate to the Assembly in St. Louis, May 6-9 with Mrs. James C. Whitaker as alternate.

14. (1) That the pledge to missions to the Woman's Division of Christian Service for the year 1958-59 be $104,400.00.

(2) That the budget for 1958-59 be $9,575.00.

(3) That the Districts' pledge to the Conference be $113,975.00.

(4) a. That we re-assume the support of the salary of a Youth Worker on the staff of the Louisiana Moral and Civic Foundation—up to the amount of $3,000.00: this money to be raised on the level of the local societies by budget or freewill offering at the rate of twenty-five cents per member. (See page 47 for substitute motion).

b. That all funds sent in last year in excess of $3,000.00 and designated "Alcohol Education Fund" and sent in during this year be channeled to the Louisiana Moral and Civic Foundation.

(5) That the $100.00 budgeted for "Student Regional Conference" in 1957-58 be increased by $50.00, taken from the budget item "Cooperative Meetings": and that the total of $150.00 be used for delegates to the Quadrennial Conference of the National Methodist Student Movement at Lawrence, Kansas in December.

(6) That the Newsletter be published in February, and that a committee be appointed to consider whether or not it be continued beyond that date.

(7) That the mileage rate for transportation be increased to five cents per mile.

(8) That World Banks be used with a well-planned, meaningful dedicatory service for "ingathering."

The Recording Secretary moved the adoption of the recommendations and it was seconded and carried.

Committee Appointments were read as follows:

Chairman of Tellers: Mrs. Wideman Watson.

Group A Tellers: Mesdames Harold Legeai, H. B. Staples, W. T. Stall, Martha Hayes, Charles Stokes, Dan Knight, Clark Gillingham, John R. Adams.

Group B Tellers: Mesdames Jack Toombs, Al Paddock, L. C. Frederick, Ruth Cain, Alton Granger, L. K. Wells, L. C. Poindexter and John Richardson.

Journal Committee: Mesdames D. W. Poole and C. B. McGowan.

Resolutions Committee: Mesdames W. R. Simmons, Kenneth Swartwood, and D. O. Cardwell.

The Recording Secretary reported that she had edited, had printed and distributed 800 copies of the Annual Report for 1956-57 at a cost of $1,058.13.

Mrs. J. H. McSween, the Treasurer, reported on the period from May 14, 1957 through February 15, 1958: Receipts $109,893.18: Disbursements $101,314.26: balance on hand February 15, 1958—$8,578.92.

Mrs. Cadwallader presented Mrs. Maude Bristol, the new head resident, at MacDonell Methodist Center.

With appropriate remarks Mrs. Barksdale introduced the singing of the hymn, "Lead On, O King Eternal." Miss Fern Kirk sang Malotte's "The Lord's Prayer" with great beauty and feeling.

Mrs. G. W. Pomeroy, vice-president, presented in a very gracious and lovely manner Mrs. Cadwallader, the retiring conference president. She introduced her husband, Mr. Charles N. Cadwallader and invited him to sit on the platform during the reading of the president's annual message, which was entitled, "They Gird The Earth With Valor." See Page 50.

In appreciation of Mrs. Cadwallader's years of service, Mrs. Sexton presented her with a beautiful bouquet of red roses from the Executive Committee. Since Mrs. Cadwallader has a Patron Life Membership, Mrs. Pomeroy stated that a gift of three hundred dollars from the conference was being made to the Library Fund of National College in Kansas City, Missouri in honor of Mrs. Cadwallader.

Mrs. M. R. Tatum presided over the conference officers' hour, with each officer lifting up some phase of her work and relating it to the general theme of the meeting. "Missions—Endless Line of Splendor."

Mrs. Sexton, chairman of Research Committee, reported on the nominees for vacancies which will occur June 1st. These were as follows: Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick, President; Mrs. J. H. McSween and Mrs. J. L. Saxon, Treasurer; Mrs. Charles Giessen, Secretary of Student Work, Mrs. C. R. McCammon, Secretary of Youth Work; Mrs. R. R. Cahal, Secretary of Children's Work; Mrs. Eloi Girard and Mrs. F. E. Kennon, Secretary of Status of Women; Mrs. G. W. Dameron and Mrs. J. B. Mouton, Secretary of Missionary Personnel; Mrs. Robley Davis and Mrs. C. J. Tackaberry, Secretary of Missionary Service.

The bar was established with 157 voting delegates. Printed ballots were distributed and votes cast. The tellers collected them and retired to report at a later session.

Dr. Ben R. Oliphint pronounced the benediction.

Wednesday Evening

Dinner

Invocation was offered by Bishop Paul E. Martin.

In the banquet room of the Frances Hotel, Mrs. Wideman Watson presided at the dinner. Tables were attractive with displays of flags from Pakistan, missionary literature, and lovely flower arrangements. Wall hangings from Pakistan at the back of the speakers' table added color and interest. Seated at the head table were Mrs. Sexton, Dr. and Mrs. Pomeroy, Dr. and Mrs. Clyde Stuntz, Dr. and Mrs. J. T. Harris, Bishop and Mrs. Paul E. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Charles N. Cadwallader, and Mrs. Watson.

Mrs. Watson presented the speaker, Mrs. Stuntz, who with her husband had served as missionaries in Pakistan for forty-one years. Mrs. Stuntz spoke of their work on the mission field; of various personalities whose lives had been greatly benefited because of the Gospel; of the great influence of the missionaries on the educational, cultural and spiritual lives of the people.

The Benediction was given by Dr. James T. Harris.

Evening Session

Delegates and guests assembled in First Methodist Church as the organ was played and the service began with the singing of the Call to Worship by the Choir of the First Methodist Church. The congregation joined in singing hymn "O Zion Haste." The evening scripture and prayer were offered by Dr. Pomeroy. The anthem "Sine Nomine" was sung beautifully by the choir.

Mrs. Cadwallader presented Mrs. Paul E. Martin as the first lady of the Methodist Church of Louisiana and of the United States—the latter, because Mrs. Martin is the president of the Bishops' wives. Mrs. Martin will be on the platform of the Assembly Meeting in St. Louis. In appreciation of Mrs. Martin, Mrs. Cadwallader pinned on her a "Corsage for Missions."

Bishop Martin was introduced by Mrs. Cadwallader with words of gratitude for his leadership. She gave him an Honorary Life Patron Membership in the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Bishop Martin expressed his appreciation for Mrs. Cadwallader's gift to missions in his honor.

Bishop Martin spoke about his trip to Africa last year. He stated that it has been said that Africa is the key continent of the world at the present time. She is rich in minerals and covers one fifth of the earth's surface, with 200 million persons living there. He told of the political life of the country and of the dangers of holding back freedom from those peoples. The church must go out to help Africa achieve her human destiny, he stated. He spoke with deep feeling of the greatness of the missionaries who have served and are serving there today. Old Umtali is a missionary compound of 17,000 acres. Two Methodist doctors are in the Congo at the present time. Nurses are bearing a great load in caring for the sick. Lack of communication between mission stations is a serious handicap. The Belgian government has given a small block of radio time for messages to be relayed between mission stations. This is a most helpful service. The natives are acheiving in a great way as they have become christian. There are many discouraging features such as man's inhumanity to man being witnessed in the cities of South Africa, particularly. The cities are modern; yet close by people are living as they did a thousand years ago. Bishop Martin spoke of the service which he held at Wembo Nyama, a village where Bishop Lambert, John Wesley Gilbert and D. L. Mumpower had preached in "the line of splendor." One of the

first converts in this village forty-two years ago is today the district superintendent, leading the evangelistic services in the Lodja District. The Bishop urged that we pray for Africa; pray that Africa's heart may be loyal to Christ our King.

A very meaningful Holy Communion Service was held with Bishop Martin, Dr. Harris, Dr. Pomeroy, Dr. Oliphint and the Reverend W. E. Nolan leading in the ritual. Following the administration of the Sacrament, the Reverend Nolan, Associate Pastor of First Methodist Church, offered the benediction.

Thursday, March 20

Morning

The day began with each conference officer holding a Clinic Breakfast for the local officers, at various places over the city from seven to nine o'clock.

With the organ prelude the session began at First Methodist Church. The hymn, "O Master of the Waking World" was sung and Dr. Clyde Stuntz led the opening worship, using as his topic, "The Kingdom of God." He stated that the Kingdom is here and now and that it requires our lives as it did of the ancient church. The Kingdom of God is a Kingdom of Judgment, a Kingdom of Fellowship and a Kingdom of Power. Jesus calls us; let us answer, "Here am I." Dr. Stuntz closed the very helpful meditation with prayer.

A report of registration was given by Mrs. R. E. Goode, showing that 236 had registered either as Executive Committee members, delegates or visitors.

Mrs. Watson reported the result of the balloting. 145 votes cast, 12 spoiled ballots. 73 to elect. The following were elected: Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick, President; Mrs. J. H. McSween, Treasurer; Mrs. Charles Giessen, Secretary of Student Work; Mrs. C. R. McCammon, Secretary of Youth Work; Mrs. R. R. Cahal, Secretary of Children's Work; Mrs. F. E. Kennon, Secretary of Status of Women; Mrs. G. W. Dameron, Secretary of Missionary Personnel; and Mrs. Robley Davis, Secretary of Missionary Service.

"To Love, To Lift, To Light," a service of symbolic light, conducted by Mrs. Paxton was most meaningful. In expression of the readiness to love—to lift—to light, a large white candle burned for 115 minutes as a symbol of material gifts. Each five minutes represented a gift of ninety-six dollars, the amount needed to maintain for that period of time the work of the Woman's Division in thirty-two countries around the world.

Mrs. Glenn Laskey, member of the Woman's Division, spoke on "We, Too Are Commissioned." She told of the sixty young men and women who were commissioned to take the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ to all the world at the recent meeting at Buck Hill Falls, Pa. She called those who are commissioned the "advance guard." We support, love and pray for them. We, too, are commissioned. The spirit of the Lord is upon us. She told of her work on the Finance Committee of the Woman's Division and of the great responsibility to handle the funds, over twenty-eight million dollars, to be administered in thirty-two countries. She mentioned the various funds of the Woman's Division as the Pension Fund, Annuity Fund, Trust Fund, Permanent Fund and the Temporary or Working Fund. The rate of exchange between countries is quite a problem in management of funds. There is money in trust for China when missionary work there can be resumed. The Woman's Division is a forward looking organization. It constantly seeks to carry on its program in the light of trends of the time. She stated that there is plenty of money for missions; if we know and give. We are becoming of age in missions. More support is coming

from nationals. We give buildings and do the larger and more costly pieces of work which the nationals cannot do. We are a world church, not just members of a local church. We must BE the church. She concluded with a challenging question, "Have you introduced anyone to God?"

Mrs. Tatum presented "The Social Witness of the Local Church" in regard to the alcohol problem, the role of citizenship, and the support of the United Nations.

Miss Anna Clark Whitaker, a senior of the North Caddo High School in Vivian, spoke out of her experience at the National Youth School of Alcohol Studies and Christian Action which she attended in the summer of 1957 at Adrian College, Adrian, Michigan. She listed various ways women might witness as christians to the alcoholic, to the social drinker, on the matter of legislation and in the support of education through the contribution of funds to the Louisiana Moral and Civic Foundation.

Mrs. Charles Day, Secretary of Status of Women of the Shreveport District, presented "Citizenship" and woman's responsibility in this area. She stated that 52% of the voting power of the country lies in the hands of women. She spoke of issues pending in government at the present time and of our responsibility for writing opinions to Senators and Representatives. She stated that questions might be asked in communications to government officials that would demand an answer. She concluded with the challenge: "The place where thou standest is holy ground. What does the Lord demand of thee?"

Mrs. Tatum spoke briefly on the work of the United Nations and of the continued support which this organization should receive from women of the church. The organization which works among the eighty-two member nations is the greatest instrument for peace in our time. She described the work of each major department of the UN. She commended the societies who had worked in the interest of UNICEF during the past years.

Introduction of special guests, speakers, former conference officers, workers, ministers and ministers' wives were made by Mrs. Sam Dunbar. Miss Jeanne Mason of Methodist Information, Little Rock, Arkansas was presented. Miss Mason is the Public Relations Director for the Episcopal Area working with the secular press.

Mrs. D. V. Loflin, one of the general chairman, presented the local women who had been chairman of various committees in connection with the entertainment of the Annual Meeting.

After the singing of "O Jesus, Master, When Today" Mrs. Paxton extinguished the light which had burned for one hundred and fifteen minutes. After her remarks, the audience sang the Doxology.

Mrs. Estelle Sanders sang very effectively Guion's "Prayer" before Miss Marguerite Twinem conducted the Quiet Time.

Miss Twinem stated that perhaps we had come to the turning point in our country—that of easy resignation. The need for worship to be deepened is greatly felt. We have one mission throughout the world. She spoke of the three W's—work, war, worship. There are strategic areas of work. Leadership is needed to train the nationals; the vast frontiers call for "universal donors." We war—we fight, not in weak resignation. Worship is needed as never before—Bible reading and prayer. Doors are off their hinges; God passes through doors. The Lamb of God above and over the hand of self is a picture we must have as we serve. She dismissed with prayer.

Luncheon

A Fellowship Luncheon at the Virginia Hotel was enjoyed by many delegates and guests. Dr. Clyde Stuntz offered the invocation. Mrs. Cadwallader presented Honorary Life Memberships from the

Conference to retiring officers. Pins were given to Mesdames Hanson, Harris, Poole and Richardson. Since Mesdames Clark, Trice and Haley had already received Honorary Life Memberships, a gift of money in like amount is being given by the conferenece in their honor to Scarritt College. Mrs. Cadwallader presented Mrs. Clyde Stuntz with an Honorary Life Membership and a similar money gift to Scarritt College honoring Mrs. Paxton.

Thursday Afternoon

The session opened with the singing of the hymn, "Jesus Shall Reign."

Mrs. McGowan, Secretary of Supply Work, presented the workers in "They Walk in Splendor." The workers wearing black choir robes came down the aisle linked together with a red velvet cord. Mrs. McGowan spoke briefly of the fourteen workers in Louisiana in ten institutions, fields of work, and colleges.

The Reverend William Stokes of the Wesley Foundation of Louisiana Tech, Ruston, spoke on the church's investment in her students. He told of the students' participation in state, regional and national student meetings. At Tech great emphasis is placed upon the devotional life of the students in morning devotions and vesper services.

Mrs. Bristol, this year's head resident of MacDonell Methodist Center, brought greetings from the twenty-four children and seven workers of her institution. She told of the children's activities, their summer program, the special workers who assist the center with certain problems, and the cooperation of the MacDonell Board members. She informed the women that MacDonell Center might serve children of our communities who might be eligible to receive its ministry.

Mr. Carl Brunson of Dulac Indian Center told of the beginnings of the work among the Indians of Dulac in 1932. Through the years the work has changed to meet the needs of the people. A new building is now being planned with Week of Prayer funds for 1958. A National MYF Senior High and College Freshman Work Camp is being planned for June 26-July 24. On the Supply Askings for 1958-59 there is an amount for a new school bus. Miss Eva Dean, a young woman from Dulac, is now attending National College in Kansas City; a high school student from Dulac is now attending Vashti School in Georgia.

Miss Rosie Ann Cobb, a worker from Sager-Brown Home and Godman School spoke of their work. This work had its beginning in 1867 and has a great history through the years. The enrollment in the home is limited to sixty students. It seeks to furnish a home and school for underprivileged children. School includes kindergarten through the eighth grade. 165 children attend the school, as children from the surrounding community attend in addition to the boarding students. There are thirteen staff members. Additional space and more workers are needed.

Miss Shiela Nuttall spoke of the rural work begun in St. Tammany Parish in September 1954. She works with five ministers in the parish. The past year her work has centered on the youth—the organization of local groups and the work of the sub-district group. The New Orleans District representative on the state council is from St. Tammany Parish, she stated.

Mrs. Pearl Turnbull described the work of Peoples' Community Center which was organized in 1922. Her work is concerned with the teaching of kindergarten children. During the summer a day camp program is carried on by the Center. The Center continues to minister to the many needs of the community.

Miss Fae Daves of St. Mark's Community Center told of its early beginnings in the Mary Werlein Mission, then St. Mark's Hall,

and in 1923 the opening of the present Center. Forty-five percent of the support of the institution comes from the United Fund of the city of New Orleans. More staff is needed. There is a great need to minister to all groups in the community. The Negro population is now forty-eight percent of the community population.

Miss Hazel Cooper of Business Girls' Inn told of the institution's early days in 1928. It was known as Jubilee Inn. The Inn ministers to girls who work in Shreveport, at their first jobs, and in their first experience in living away from home. The girls range in ages from seventeen to twenty-one.

Mrs. McGowan spoke of the "endless line" extending on into lives of the people who are reached by the workers. It is truly an endless line, in which we would ask to walk with the Master.

The Reverend Lea Joyner offered the benediction.

Following the session, Mrs. E. N. Jackson entertained with a very lovely tea at her home in honor of Mrs. Charles N. Cadwallader.

Thursday Evening

Dinner

Dinner was served in the banquet room of the Frances Hotel. Mrs. Minza Rabun, Secretary of the Wesleyan Service Guild, presided. Mrs. Cadwallader gave the invocation. Those at the speakers' table were the Guild Standing Committee members and Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick, Mrs. Cadwallader, and Miss Marguerite Twinem. Beautiful spring flowers, figurines representative of the mission fields, art objects from foreign countries—all combined to make an attractive setting.

Mrs. Rabun introduced Miss Twinem who spoke of the great need of recruitment of workers for the mission field. She told of the staffing of a new hospital in Borneo where a technician, a pharmacist, a bookkeeper and nurse are needed. There are to be forty young people commissioned at the meeting of the Assembly in St. Louis in May. Those joining the Fellowship of Christian Service, the three year program of the Woman's Division, need special preparation in addition to their college training. The study of linguistics is so important in fitting the candidates to serve. Wesleyan Service Guild members who are offering themselves make excellent workers many times. They have the maturity which is so needed. There are two women to every one man going to the mission field, she stated. She said that this is not the time to withdraw or to lessen the number going. She spoke of her experiences as a missionary in China and the two years she worked under the communists. She found that the greatest place for the missionary is that of co-worker. She asked that we might help hand pick the co-workers to send.

The benediction was offered by Mrs. Rabun.

Evening Session

At the conclusion of the organ prelude, the choir of First Methodist Church entered in procession singing, "Arise, My Soul, Arise." The choir and the minister, Dr. Pomeroy, led the congregation in a very wonderful and inspiring Charles Wesley Hymn Festival. The Wesley hymns used were carefully chosen for their beauty, theology, and familiar association. Special soloists and instrumentalists assisted the choir in the presentation. Each was introduced with appropriate remarks given by the minister.

Dr. Harris read from the twelfth chapter of St. John's Gospel and offered the prayer and officiated in receiving the offering.

The speaker of the evening was Dr. Wesley Hager of Grace

Methodist Church, St. Louis, Missouri. In presenting him, Mrs. Cadwallader told of her acquaintance with Dr. Hager and Mrs. Hager at the India Centennial.

Dr. Hager commended the women of Methodism for their study of the world and its needs and their work in the local church and conference. He spoke of women "in the endless line of splendor" as they have helped carry the cross with its message into many countries. After encircling the globe one feels deep gratitude for the common blessings of the earth. We can no longer take our blessings for granted. Lights are kept burning, dispelling the darkness in many places because of Methodist women. He told of places visited in Japan and of conversations held with Christians there. He stated that the Japanese International Christian University is the modern miracle—a great center of learning which serves southeast Asia. He voiced the hope that some day the cross would be dominant on the skyline in that section of the world. He told of visiting Hong Kong and of the centers of work there for children and youth and refugee groups. As he saw many of the refugees, an educated and refined group, he came to a new understanding of the cost of freedom. In Bangkok he met with a large group of women of southeast Asia, gathered in a christian atmosphere. Although they were of different faiths, many brilliant, well educated women met to discuss the status of women in southeast Asia. As he travelled into India and visited the mission projects he was grateful for the women who keep the lights burning. At home at last, he said that he realized that the prophecy of Isaiah had been partially fulfilled—"the people who walked in darkness have seen a great light."

Mrs. J. H. McSween, Treasurer, conducted the impressive "Pledge Service by Candlelight." The theme of the service was the idea of building bridges of understanding, hope, service and love.

The Treasurer brought forward a very large pledge card in poster form, as Mrs. Laskey lighted a large white candle on the altar. A solo "Light of the World Is Jesus" was sung, after which Mrs. Laskey led in a prayer of dedication to the tasks. Mrs. McSween led in giving the pledges as conference treasurer. Members of the Executive Committee, wearing choir robes, came down the aisle and grouped themselves in graduated rows to form a living cross. They pledged their prayers, their service, and gifts to the extension of the Kingdom as they lighted their candles and took their places. Lights dimmed as the district presidents, district secretaries of Promotion, a local officer, a Wesleyan Service Guild member, and a local Woman's Society member spoke their pledges to the total program and then knelt at the altar. District Treasurers by two's came forward, lighted their candles, made their pledges by amounts toward building bridges of understanding, and love and departed to encircle the entire sanctuary with light.

Mrs. McSween presented the pledges of the Wesleyan Service Guild and the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Louisiana Conference amounting to $113,975.00 to Mrs. Cadwallader the president, who accepted them. A prayer of consecration was offered. The lights were turned out in the sanctuary as the solo, "How Beautiful Upon the Mountains" was sung, and only the glow of the lighted cross and the candles encircling the room illuminated the scene.

Dr. James T. Harris offered the benediction: "Bless, O God, the bearers of light in the nations of the earth. Grant us Thy Spirit to help sustain the hands and work of those who labor to dispel the darkness. And now may the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be amongst you and abide with you now and evermore. Amen."

Friday Morning

Breakfast

At seven o'clock there was a special breakfast at the Frances Hotel, at which time the work of the Wesleyan Service Guild was featured. Mrs. Cadwallader presided. The invocation was offered by Mrs. Minza Rabun.

Miss Lillian Johnson, Executive Secretary of the Wesleyan Service Guild of the Woman's Division, was the guest speaker. She spoke on why the Guild is important. Many unchurched women may be reached by the Guild, then brought into the fellowship of the church. She depicted the work of the Guild as compared with other groups organized for the business and professional woman. The message is the same as that of the Woman's Society, but the approach to the Guild work is different. There is a need for the Guild to reach employed women who are on the periphery of the church's life. The lonely woman needs to be reached. Many have not heard of the Guild. She spoke of the inter-relatedness of the work of the Woman's Society and the Guild and the place of the co-ordinator. She mentioned the time element of the various employed women as it relates to their part in the work of the Guild.

Mrs. Cadwallader gave the benediction.

Friday Morning Session

Following the singing of hymn "The Morning Light Is Breaking," Mrs. Cadwallader introduced Miss Willie Mae Porter, a retired deaconess who now resides in Monroe. Miss Porter read from Isaiah 43:1-2 and spoke of missionary friends who had served in "the endless line of splendor." It was an inspiration to hear her tell of answers to prayers and of the heroic lives of her fellow workers. She closed her meditation with prayer.

Mrs. Cadwallader called Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick, newly elected president, to the platform to present her to the conference. In response Mrs. Kilpatrick spoke the words of St. Paul when he said, "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." "We can do all things and we can forge a strong link in the 'endless line of splendor'," she stated.

Recommendations of officers were lifted up by the various officers.

Mrs. Pomeroy spoke of recommendation two, regarding programs from **Methodist Woman** which might be used for circle meetings.

Mrs. Whitaker stressed the study of Annual Report book as well as other recommendations given for the Recording Secretaries.

Mrs. McSween brought in a substitute recommendation for 4 (a) under recommendations from finance committee, which had been read and passed on at the opening session. Substitute motion read as follows: "That an amount not to exceed $3,000.00, to be raised on the local level by freewill offering at the rate of twenty-five cents a member, be allocated to the salary of a youth worker on the staff of the Louisiana Moral and Civic Foundation. This action shall be reviewed annually." Mrs. Laskey moved the adoption of the substitute recommendation. It was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Tebow spoke on recommendation regarding members transferring.

Mrs. Lambert urged that more study classes be conducted.

Mrs. Poole spoke on student secretaries making use of every opportunity for training.

Mrs. Trice asked that Youth Secretaries help in every way to establish and maintain an active Committee on Christian Vocations and work to acquaint young people with the needs and opportunities in missionary and deaconess service and the reporting of potential recruits.

Mrs. Watson urged the use of literature to suit the local needs and that secretaries of literature should seek to promote the greatest use of literature.

Mrs. McGowan urged that societies study the work of the institutions on the Asking List so that the women may know the needs and recognize the opportunity for service in meeting those needs.

Mrs. Tatum lifted up the way Christian citizenship might be stressed in local societies as outlined in recommendation four.

Mrs. Paxton emphasized all ten of her recommendations, as the total program of spiritual life work undergirds every phase of the woman's work.

Mrs. Harris again stressed the importance of recruitment for missionary service, and the necessity of the work of the Christian Vocations Committee in the local church in meeting recruitment needs. She stressed prayer for youth.

Mrs. Rabun told of three new Guild units in the conference. She spoke of recommendations having to do with Christian Social Relations, Supply Work, Missionary Education and Spiritual Life.

The Recording Secretary moved the adoption of the recommendations presented from the floor and those printed in the packets. Seconded and carried.

Mrs. Trice, chairman of the Constitution and By-Laws Committee, presented a resolution as follows: "We of the Louisiana Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service in recognition of the tremendous growth of the Methodist Church in Louisiana, request that the Jurisdiction Committee on Episcopal Area give thoughtful consideration to the assignment of a Bishop to live in and preside over the Louisiana Conference as his Episcopal Area." This resolution is addressed to Mr. Floyd James, a member of the Jurisdiction Committee on Episcopal Area, Ruston, Louisiana. Upon motion of Mrs. Trice the resolution was adopted.

Mrs. C. B. McGowan reported for the Journal Committee. She stated that the committee had read the journal and found it in order.

Mrs. W. R. Simmons, chairman of Resolutions, presented the following resolution:

"It is a privilege to be a part of The Woman's Society of Christian Service, to hear the achievement of the year ending, and the even greater plans for the future of 'Missions—Endless Line of Splendor.'

"For this great opportunity of spiritual uplift and information we are indebted to the lovely Twin Cities of Monroe. To the First Methodist Church, our host: to the general chairmen and her committees and to the women of the other churches in their untiring efforts to make this meeting a success, we extend our gratitude.

"To the Program Committee we express our deep appreciation for the outstanding speakers and the beautiful music which have lifted our hearts.

"The inspiration of this meeting will be reflected in our local churches for days to come."

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Douglas O. Cardwell
Mrs. Kenneth Swartwood
Mrs. W. R. Simmons

It was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of appreciation.

Mrs. Leslie McKenzie invited the Annual Meeting to be held in First Methodist Church, Baton Rouge, in March 1959. The invitation was gratefully accepted.

Mrs. Cadwallader again expressed joy in the privilege of having served for four years as president. She called to the platform, Mrs. Lee Tidwell, Secretary of Promotion for the South Central Jurisdiction, to install the new officers. Following the singing of the hymn, "Lord, Speak to Me," the secretary called the name of each new officer and Mrs. Cadwallader pinned a beautiful camellia on each one as she came to the altar. Mrs. Tidwell used a service of installation from the booklet, **Ceremonials.** Mrs. J. T. Harris sang very beautifully "My Task." Mrs. Cadwallader passed on the gavel used by past presidents to Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick. The officers were declared duly installed and a prayer of dedication was given.

Mrs. C. W. Tebow, Secretary of Promotion, presented effectively the work of the districts with the help of the eight district secretaries of Promotion. Mrs. Tebow spoke of St. Paul's beginning with Lydia and a group of ladies in the early church. On through the years women have figured largely in the work of the church. An attractive poster with church spires silhouetted on it, formed the focal point on which each district secretary placed her silhouette after she spoke for her district. "A Noble Army of Amateurs" was the theme and caption of the poster. Progress was reported, emphases lifted up, membership given, and goals presented for the future—all formed a part of the presentation of each district secretary. New Orleans district is now 100 percent organized—a new attainment. There are now five districts which are 100 percent organized with a total of 13,994 members for the conference. Twenty-four churches in the conference do not have a society or a district member. Mrs. Tidwell responded to the presentation and told of her "family of eighteen conferences" in the Jurisdiction. She told of some of the achievements of the various conferences. She listed the needs as: ability to reach new members, improved programs, spiritual life emphasis, understanding in human relations, program of Woman's Society related to the total program of the church, and more democratic procedures in local society. The Workshops carried on in the conferences have sought to meet many of these needs.

Mrs. Pomeroy announced that extra copies of officers' recommendations were available for District Secretaries of Promotion to take to their districts for distribution to local groups.

An offering was taken for the janitors of the host church.

Mrs. Rabun accompanied Miss Lillian Johnson to the platform for the closing meditation. Mrs. Cadwallader presented Miss Johnson and she gave the closing meditation on "Marching or Watching."

Miss Johnson spoke of the appreciation we have for the background before the time of Jesus. Then came Jesus' method of sending out two by two and so began the long column of witnesses to the faith. "Are we in apostolic succession?" she asked. "Is ours a commissioned life; are we in the parade or reviewing stands?" She spoke of workers from the mission field as they come to the headquarters in New York as those who are marching. There are almost two million women who pledge to the program of the Woman's Division. Are they truly in the "line of splendor?" In the face of world's physical conditions we often see the concern of non-christians going beyond the christian's concern. We need to be living examples, witnesses, evangelists. There are 80 million not related to the church in the United States. We have a responsibility to these people. The talent of looking at people as persons is needed. She emphasized the phases of our pledge—prayer, service and gifts. We need to see that programs are more worthwhile and strive toward the true goal of our organization. We can only live up to our pledges as we pray. The power of Christ is needed as we go forth in the "endless line of splendor."

Mrs. J. T. Harris sang "The Lord's Prayer" by Malotte as a very fitting close for the Annual Meeting.

The Reverend W. E. Nolan gave the benediction.

Mrs. Cadwallader declared the eighteenth Annual Meeting adjourned.

A Buffet Luncheon was served to the delegates and guests as a courtesy of the churches of Monroe.

At the conclusion of the luncheon the Executive Committee members met in the church parlor.

Mrs. Cadwallader asked Mrs. Kilpatrick to take over the duties of president immediately. Mrs. Kilpatrick asked Mrs. Pomeroy to preside in her place. Mrs. Pomeroy spoke in a very inspiring manner of our place of service in the conference and in our local churches. Each felt a renewed dedication and the closeness of our fellowship. Her remarks were concluded with a circle of prayer.

Mrs. Kennon moved that the names of Mrs. P. D. Lambert, Miss Sue Batton, and Mrs. C. B. McGowan be listed as the alternate delegates to the South Central Jurisdiction to fill vacancies left by retiring officers. It was seconded and carried.

It was decided that the conference should have corsages for our workers to wear at the Jurisdiction Meeting luncheon in St. Louis on May 5th.

Mrs. Pomeroy moved that Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Tebow and Mrs. McSween be named to study the promotion of our work through the Conference News and Quarterly Letters on a sound financial basis and that action be taken accordingly for the next year. Seconded and carried.

It was announced that Mrs. Dameron will serve as program chairman for the Annual Meeting in 1959.

An Evaluation Sheet will be mailed to committee members for them to evaluate the Annual Meeting in Monroe. The findings will help in guiding the plans for Annual Meeting in 1959.

The meeting adjourned.

Mrs. Charles N. Cadwallader, President

Mrs. James C. Whitaker
Recording Secretary

Approved: Mrs. D. W. Poole
Mrs. C. B. McGowan

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

"THEY GIRD THE EARTH WITH VALOR"

Mrs. Charles N. Cadwallader

In contemplating Missions in their Endless Line of Splendor—let us look at first Century Christians and catch the thrill when we read in the Book of Acts "Day after day they met in the Temple. They praised God continually and all the people respected them. Every day the Lord added to their number those who were finding salvation." No complacency here, but spiritual drive—genuine fellowship and gay unconquerable courage in this young Church.

The English Historian, Arnold Toynbee, a few years ago wrote in his **Study of History** that the Christian Church "brought a saving faith to a dying civilization." In the foreword of his latest book, **An Historian's Approach to Religion**, he confesses that he had reached a point at which the question "What is our attitude towards religion" was calling for an answer too insistently to be ignored any longer—believing that finding himself pursued by this question, he was having

one of the characteristic experiences of the living generation in the western world. Recently on hearing Dr. Toynbee at Tulane University, it was gratifying to hear this great historian express his appalling conviction which came to him while traveling in the Orient, that there is a terrific urgency that we meet the needs of the underprivileged, not only bettering their living and educational conditions, but that we must give a soul satisfying religion to them. In comparing religions, he was heard to say that the Christian religion has a great deal more to offer than any other, and that it is terribly important to raise the standard of living and the spiritual level of the races. In Dr. Edgar J. Goodspeed's most recent book, **The Twelve**, which is reputed to rank with his finest efforts, we find deep pleasure and satisfaction in studying traditional information presented in a new light—presenting the story of the twelve men who carried Christ's teachings to the world—the first Missionaries.

Peter was the first man to say, "You art the Christ." When the Holy Spirit fell upon believers in Jerusalem, it was Peter who stood up and explained it, as a fulfilment of the prophecy of Joel, supported by various oracles from the Psalms, and the sermon by Peter, which followed, led to the first great enlargement of the Jerusalem group. Peter appears to have preached at Pontus, Galatia, Bithynia, Cappadocia, Asia and at last at Rome where he was crucified head downwards, for he had requested to suffer this way, believing that he was not worthy to die as his Christ had died.

After Paul had met the Christ on the Damascus road, Paul spent some time with Peter, listening to Peter's beautiful stories of when he had lived with Jesus. Then, Paul became the first missionary—to Macedonia. He took Barnabus with him on this first missionary journey. Galatia and Greece were also in Paul's missionary orbit. The evangelization of Ephesus by Paul and his circle turned out to be Paul's most significant and influential foundation in that generation.

The Mar Thoma Church of South India, which is a recognized part of the Syrian Orthodox Church, represented at this time by one of the six Presidents of the World Council of Churches, is said to have been founded during the first century by the Apostle Thomas, This group of Christians has probably been the best known, and most highly respected in India today, for they are all people of education, and their home is Travencore State. According to Dr. Goodspeed, Thomas was allotted Parthia, Asia Minor to John and Phillip. The Ethiopians of today trace the existence of Christianity among them back to the Ethiopian eunuch who was converted by Philip, the Deacon, as reported in Acts 8:27-40. The total list of apostolic missionaries to Armenia would number five: Bartholemew, Thaddeus, Simon the Zealot, Andrew, and Matthias, who was chosen to take the place of Judas Iscariot. Mark is credited with a ministry in Alexandria, Egypt, though Mark not being an apostle, was called a "sub-apostolic" figure. Many old Church traditions support apostolic responsibility in their foundation, but few early missions found historians, as did Peter in Mark, and Paul in his beloved Dr. Luke. Yet, continues Dr. Goodspeed, this leaves apostles with their fields of labor unaccounted for. Yet we know full well that Christianity did spread in an amazing way. "It was precisely the quiet patient work of many obscure figures that won the gospel battle in the world of the first century as it does in the twentieth." We know that Paul, with these twelve, were the first missionaries upon whom Jesus depended to go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Jesus said, "All authority is given to me in Heaven and on earth." He admonished them, teaching them to observe all that He had commanded them, and His words were, "Remember, I am with you always, to the end of the world."

As we look at the scope of the endless line of splendor in Methodist

Missions, let us pay tribute in the words of the late Dr. W. W. Pinson, Missionary Executive Secretary of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South: The Missionary enterprise is the supreme adventure of history. It is a challenge of hope and courage in a world of paralyzing fears and demoralizing futility. It is the sole claimant as "a moral substitute for war." It is the only accredited messenger of good news to a bewildered world, the lone champion of love and good will in a world of hate and war. Only by sharing our experience of God with the whole world, can Christians keep for themselves the vision and experience of a universal God.

The command. "Go" continues to ring clear. May we look at the world through Christ's eyes with dedication to the task of claiming the whole world for Christ, gracious in the opportunity it presents, and terrible in the responsibility imposed upon us.

In Bishop Arthur Moore's words, "A true Christian cannot be a pessimist, because he sees the eternal purpose of God at work." He believes that the redemptive march of Jesus Christ cannot be stopped. Early Christians surmounted seemingly unsurmountable obstacles. They experienced an exaltation of spirit that sent them as singing soldiers. Louise Eggleston in her Conference-wide Prayer School conducted in Baton Rouge University Church and First Church, spoke of the early Christians saying that they dared not go out on the streets of Rome, for their radiant, joyous faces betrayed that they were Christians. It is not a new realization of religion for which the world waits; it is a new realization of the power of Christ in human life for which men ask. A 1958 book by one of our Bishops states: "I believe in tomorrow. Religious men are always on the march. Men, when they are sound, are always going somewhere. We can not keep our spirits alive, unless we can look to the future with hope. Some are tempted to live safely, which is to say, by the risks of others." But remember Thomas Kelly saying in his book, "I am just going to make my life a miracle." He had discovered the word "Fellowship" a new kind of life. Sharing love had arisen. Are these the bonds of love which knit together the early Christians?

Let us not forget that we too can be missionaries. The influence of our lives may be sweet perfume. Our precious young people who have gone out, challenge us with their straight thinking. Elma Ashby, our own New Orleans, Louisiana, Missionary, commissioned May 1940, has been in the United States on furlough this year, eagerly taking a refresher course in school that she may give more to the people of her mission station in Africa. She plans to return to Southern Rhodesia as soon as she completes her study this spring.

Alexa McCain, who went almost immediately upon hearing the call, being commissioned in December 1948, gave her services at Isabella Thoburn College in Lucknow, India, as librarian and English teacher. When she became ill she enabled a native girl, granddaughter of the first native Methodist Bishop of India, to come to the United States. This attractive girl made her masters at Western Reserve in Library Science, and another degree at Syracuse University in English. Now Alexa, works at Hebbardsville, Kentucky, teaching in the Lotts Creek School for Mountain Children in Cordia, Kentucky.

Patsy Alexander was challenged by caravaning in Cuba and was commissioned January 12, 1955. I visited her at Crandon Institute, Montevideo, Uraguay, that summer. But Pat could not forget Cuba and is now a full time missionary working with the Methodist Church in Jovanellos, Santa Rosa, Cuba.

Anna Givens went as a J3 to Kagashima, Japan as a social worker in that rural area. On her return, after two years at Scarritt, Anna was commissioned for full time Christian service in June 1955, and sailed two months later. At last year's conference we were greatly concerned on learning of her serious illness which had brought Anna back to

the States. Now recovered, Anna is enjoying her work at Erie School, Olive Hill, Kentucky.

Gretchen Elston, graduate of Centenary College in 1948, went as a J3 to Japan and stayed ten extra months over her three year contract. After study at Columbia Teachers' College, New York, N. Y. Gretchen sailed this March to Japan, having an extra degree. She plans to teach English and is equipped for counseling.

Margaret Wade Campbell went as an LA3 to Mexico. Last year Margaret Wade wrote me from Durango, Mexico to thank the Louisiana Conference for Supply gifts saying, "We hope and pray that what has been done with these funds will prove to be another step toward the completion of the Kingdom of God here on earth." She receives her M.A. in the school of Social Work at Scarritt College this June and will be commissioned at the Assembly on May 8, 1958.

Dr. Vela Cleveland, a native of Florida, has been a member of a New Orleans Wesleyan Service Guild while preparing herself to become a missionary to India. Vela will also be commissioned at the Assembly this May and has asked to be partially supported by the Louisiana Conference. We shall be proud to call her one of our missionary daughters as she goes to Vellore, India to serve in the Pediatrics Department of our Methodist Hospital. Vela has received degrees from Asbury College, University of Kentucky, Duke University and Tulane University Medical School.

Miss Caroline Porter, retired Deaconess from Homer Toberman Settlement House in San Pedro, California, was sent by the Woman's Division to Lima as an expert resource person in order to start Community Centers in connection with the Woman's work in Peru.

We have many Louisiana Deaconesses both active and retired.

Miss Norma Garlington, graduate from McNeese State College, Lake Charles, received her M.A. at Scarritt College last year, and has been serving the First Methodist Church in Crowley, as Director of Christian Education. Norma also will be consecrated at the Assembly, May 8, 1958.

Shiela Nuttall is doing a positive piece of work as the Deaconess of the St. Tammany Parish Rural Work, in the New Orleans District.

The founder of MacDonell and Dulac work, Miss Ella K. Hooper is now retired.

Miss Willie May Porter, who will give a meditation on our conference program, has just retired as Director of Religous Education in a Methodist Church in La Grange, Ill.

We have many US-2s and contract workers whom I should also like to pay tribute to. Thus "the endless line of splendor" moves up in Louisiana to gird the earth with valor.

The christian faith did not come into the world like a quiet meditation. It came like a trumpet call. God had spoken in a new way in Christ and the day of march had come. Those who answered the call found in Jesus, one who gave them a sense of victory over the world. In fact, disciples were men who "turned the world upside down." Paul spoke for Christians of every age when he said: "Wherever I go, thank God, He makes my life a constant pageant of triumph in Christ, diffusing the perfume of his knowledge everywhere by me."

"I believe in victory of the spirit, and with our few talents and small powers we are given the grace to be a part of the King's enterprises." We are given the assurance that He will win in the end. The power of Christian Faith will redeem our lives.

It has been said that Christianity is a serial story in great installments and the next installment must be written by the minds and hearts, the life and work of this generation. The Christians were, and are convinced that God came to the world in Christ—that the things which Jesus Christ taught and for which He lived and died are

the evry center of the universe, and this is a story of transformed lives. The effort of transformed lives is to transform the world, that the Kingdoms of this earth may become the kingdom of our God and His Christ. Let us not forget that John Wesley was afraid of only one thing, that the fire might die down on Methodist altars, that the determination to win the world for Christ might slacken, and that we should exist as a dead sect, having the form of religion without power. Christ's Church must bear in its body, mind and heart and in its sacrificial action, the marks of the Lord Jesus.

Philips Brooks once said, "Do not pray for easy lives, pray to be stronger men. Do not pray for tasks equal to your powers, pray for powers equal to your tasks. Then the doing of your work shall be no miracle, but you shall be a miracle. Every day you shall wonder at yourself, at the richness of life which has come in you, by the grace of God." Thus

An endless line of splendor,
These troops with heaven for home,
With creeds they go from Scotland,
With incense go from Rome.
These in the name of Jesus.
Against the dark gods stand,
They gird the earth with valor,
They heed their King's command.

Onward the line advances,
Shaking the hills with power,
Slaying the hidden demons,
The lions that devour.
No bloodshed in the wrestling—
But souls new-born arise—
The nations growing kinder,
The child-hearts growing wise.

What is the final ending?
The issue, can we know?
Will Christ outlive Mohammed?
Will Kali's altar go?
This is our faith tremendous—
Our wild hope, who shall scorn—
That in the name of Jesus,
The world shall be reborn!

—Vachel Lindsay.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

PRESIDENT

Mrs. Charles N. Cadwallader

This year, as the Woman's Society of Christian Service has studied "March of Missions," it has been Louisiana's dream to catch step and join the "Endless Line of Splendor" in witnessing God's love at home and abroad. When women's hearts are touched by the love of God, they want to give, not only of their time and talents to build God's Kingdom stronger in our own communities, but also to help all people in God's world around the globe. Purse strings fly open, and as we have often heard—you can give without loving, but you cannot love without giving. This has been exemplified by many Louisiana unknown givers of $96.00 each, which amount supports the entire work of the Woman's Division for five minutes. A candle was lighted at our An-

nual meeting and burned for 115 minutes—a shining symbol of gifts supporting the missionary enterprise of the Woman's Division in thirty-two countries for nearly two hours.

When Bishop A. Frank Smith presided at the Convocation of our Louisiana Woman's Society of Christian Service in 1940, he made a statement pertinent to Missions. Since Unification, Bishop Smith has been Chairman of the Division of National Missions of the Board of Missions of our great Methodist Church. His remarks in regard to World Missions were that they may seem to be more glamorous in far off lands—because we travel extensively to reach them, but when once we arrive, they are just the same as National Missions, for we work with people just as we do at home. Thus we all continually strive to be channels for God's understanding love to flow through us wherever we are, in order that we may be His Ambassadors of peace and goodwill.

Mrs. George Sexton, Louisiana's first President of the Louisiana Woman's Society of Christian Service, reported at the close of our first year in 1941 that there were 262 Woman's Societies; now there are 335. There were 38 Wesleyan Service Guilds for employed women; now there are 94. In 1941, the Woman's Society had 10,360 members; now 13,998. There were 642 Wesleyan Service Guild members; now 2,002. The pledge in 1941 was $31,000; it is now $104,000.00.

Louisiana women excelled this year, having again led the South Central Jurisdiction in per capita giving.

The Conference School of Missions grows each year in its scope and in opportunities presented to those who would serve.

We were proud of our young women at Assembly—the Quadrennial meeting of the Woman's Division, when Margaret Wade Campbell, Norma Garlington and Dr. Vela Cleveland were commissioned for full time christian service. Miss Anna Clark Whitaker attended the meeting as Louisiana youth delegate.

When your president took office in 1954 her first duty, after leading our women to the Assembly and presenting the goals for the year ahead to the Louisiana Annual Conference, was to convene the convocation of the Lafayette District which gave us our eighth District. Since that time five Districts have become 100% organized, with each church having a Woman's Society or District member: Lake Charles, Shreveport, Ruston, Alexandria and New Orleans. This has been the result of great interest and cooperative work on the part of our women together with the District Superintendents and Pastors. We have also had a special interest in helping promote evangelism, placing emphasis on spiritual growth. This past year we have brought Mrs. Louise Eggleston into our Conference to help us grow spiritually. In October she came for an Executive Prayer Retreat and in February for a Prayer School, to which all Pastors and Laymen together with their families were invited.

Another aim has been to try to help World Missions come alive, for it has been a gracious privilege for me to see missionary friends at work in their fields of service among the Christians of the younger churches of the world. The opportunity of visiting Methodist work in more than a hundred projects in Foreign Fields has been a glorious experience.

Three times your president attended the Annual Meetings of the Woman's Division and the Board of Missions at Buck Hill Falls, and the gracious offer of the Executive Committee to send me this year was greatly appreciated. It was a thrilling experience to represent you and the church as a Delegate when the General Conference met in Minneapolis. Your president also attended quadrennial meetings of the Conference on Evangelism in Philadelphia and the Family Life Conferences meeting in Cleveland, and in Manila, Philippines.

It has been a great privilege and joy to serve my church as president of the Louisiana Woman's Society of Christian Service, and to meet our consecrated women in local churches and Societies, in District and Annual meetings, Seminars, Workshops and Conference School of Missions. It is stimulating to know and realize that so many are living dedicated lives, giving their first interest, attention and devotion to the work of the church and the Woman's Society. My challenge to all Louisiana is, continue in your "endless line of splendor" in your effort to transform the World that Christians may gird the earth with valor and that in the name of Jesus the world may be reborn.

VICE PRESIDENT

Mrs. G. W. Pomeroy

Increased understanding of the duties and responsibilities of the Vice President has been manifest in the increased number and quality of reports received this year. Three Districts: Lafayette, Mrs. Eloi Girard; Lake Charles, Mrs. J. B. Mouton; Shreveport, Mrs. W. C. McDonald, reported 100% each period of 1957-58. Each of the other five Vice Presidents noted increased numbers of Societies reporting.

Our greatest gains have been in the area of Program Planning. Regular Program Committee meetings with advanced planning, evaluation, and the use of additional resource materials have resulted in more effective Programs. The Vice President, as chairman of the Program Committee, is giving more guidance to Circle Programs and Special Days. Action growing out of Programs and Studies has been varied and fruitful and more Societies are reporting planning action to result from these. A greater use of Audio-Visual Aids such as maps, charts, worship centers, posters, film strips, and movies add variety and interest to programs. The Promotion Workshops provided knowledge and impetus for using new Techniques in Program planning. We expect to involve more people in a more meaningful program in the coming year.

World Federation of Methodist Women has been presented in a variety of ways by many Societies. The Monroe and Shreveport Districts bought the Filmstrip, **Methodist Women Worldwide Friends**, and are circulating it in local Societies.

The Eight special days are generally observed with fine Programs. We note a growth in the number of Societies cooperating with other denominations in observing the special days of The United Church Women.

I feel that the past year has been fruitful because of the faithful work of the District and Local Vice Presidents who have attended District and Conference meetings, have studied and promoted the work in such a fine way.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The program, an important factor in the spiritual life, growth and vitality of a society, molds opinions, changes attitudes and stimulates growth, therefore we recommend:

1. That the committee on program plan for education and action of the Women's Society, namely: the regular monthly meetings, the circle meetings, special days, study classes and action resulting from study and program presentation.
2. That the program and worship booklet, "Christ For the World We Sing" should be used in the general meetings and the program in the "Methodist Woman" or "The Booklet for Friendship Groups" may be used in the Circles.

3. That if speakers are used the monthly theme, as given in the program book for that month, be given them as a basis for their talks and time be given for group discussion.
4. That varied methods in presenting programs be used, including modern techniques with group involvment.
5. That the program include the entire scope of the purpose and the work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service—The goals, educational opportunities, service activities, giving and missionary personnel.
6. That the World Federation of Methodist Women be presented at least once each reporting period remembering to invite as guests all fraternal delegates from other units in the United States and foreign students representing units abroad.
7. That the vice-president avail herself of every leadership training opportunity—sub-district, district, conference meetings, educational seminar, workshop, school of missions and officers' training.
8. That the vice-presidents keep a file of reference material from publications of the Woman's Division of Christian Service.
9. That every vice-president report fully, accurately and on time. June 1, October 1, February 1.
10. That the program committee begin their program building for the year 1958-59 as soon as the monthly themes in the flier are available and hold meetings periodically.
11. Follow the monthly suggestions for vice-presidents in the **Calendar of Activities** in the May 1958 issue of **The Methodist Woman.**

RECORDING SECRETARY

Mrs. James C. Whitaker

The expense connected with the printing of 800 copies of the Seventeenth Annual Report by the Reliance Press of DeRidder, Louisiana, was $1,058.13.

Except for file copies, the secretary has distributed the 800 copies.

In addition to editing the Annual Report, many meetings have been attended, notices of meetings mailed. minutes recorded of the Executive Committee meetings. the Journal written for the Annual Meeting. cards and letters sent out as directed. All the many duties of a secretary have been performed with a sense of gratitude for a place of service.

My appreciation goes to many persons who contributed information and reports for this, **The Eighteenth Annual Report.** Only by the combined efforts of everyone has it been possible to edit this Report.

RECOMMENDATIONS

IT IS RECOMMENDED:

1. That the Recording Secretary study **A Guide**, the Constitution and By-laws and Standing Rules of the Woman's Society of Christian Service and that she have a knowledge of parliamentary procedure in order to understand the duties of her office.
2. That she assist the President in promoting a special study of of the Louisiana Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service **Eighteenth Annual Report** among all officers and among as many members as possible. The **Annual Report** is a tool of her office.
3. That the Recording Secretary strive to have complete and accurate minutes—recording date, place, personnel, and action of group. Minutes should be neatly written in ink or typed and kept in a permanent book.

4. That the Recording Secretary provide Membership Cards for Members and keep an active up to date list of membership. Have available Introduction Cards for members who travel frequently and provide Transfer Membership Cards to members when they move from her city or town. These are all free postage—see current catalogue.

5. That she check to see that past records of her Society are assembled, correctly labeled and filed in a safe place. These records should include past secretaries' books and all official records of her Society. The list of Charter Members and Special Members (Life Memberships) should be included among the records. Strive to make the Society's records **complete**. Paste in present secretary's book a notation as to where these records are kept.

6. That she use correct terminology. For example:
   Executive Committee (not Executive Board).
   Annual Meeting (not Annual Conference).
   Conference Annual Report (not Year Book).
   Jurisdiction (not Jurisdictional).
   Woman's Society of Christian Service (not **Women's** Society of Christian Service or W.S.C.S.).
   Secretary of Promotion (not Promotion Secretary).
   Secretary (not Sec-a-tary).
   Secretary of Supply Work (not Secretary of Supplies).

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE,

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

May 20, 1957—May 20, 1958

Mrs. J. H. McSween, Conference Treasurer

	Balance	Additions	Deductions	Balance
Balance in Bank	$3,820.81	$160,797.97	$160,703.45	$3,915.33
Rapides Bldg. & Loan Ass'n	3,000.00			3,000.00
First Federal Savings & Loan Ass'n.	2,677.00	231.43*		2,908.43
	$9,497.81	$161,029.40	$160,703.45	$9,823.76

*Credited to Pass Book First Federal

Designated Funds:				
Alcohol Education	563.32	1,174.81	1,738.13	.00
Transient Funds		1,191.97	1,218.58	—26.61
Cultivation Fund	3,257.49	9,400.00	10,100.45	
Returns to Cultivation:				
Jurisdiction School of Missions		63.44		
Jurisdiction Assembly		86.50		
Registration School of Missions		1,068.50		
Money for Stamps		.31		
Conference on Missions		23.07		
Dividend Rapides Bldg. & Loan Ass'n		120.00		
Journals sold		18.50		
Refund Mailing Journals		4.58		3,941.94
	$3,820.81	$13,151.68	$13,057.16	$3,915.33

CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

Balance in Bank May 20, 1957	$3,820.81
Rapides Building & Loan Association	3,000.00
First Federal Savings & Loan Association	2,677.00

Districts	Amount Pledged	Amount Paid
Alexandria	$ 9,600.00	$ 10,535.97
Baton Rouge	16,175.00	17,534.76
Lafayette	8,170.00	9,514.69
Lake Charles	11,490.00	13,171.79
Monroe	15,030.00	15,676.25
New Orleans	12,720.00	15,171,08
Ruston	13,300.00	13,956.16
Shreveport	21,915.00	29,187.61
	$108,400.00	$124,748.31

School of Missions (Jurisdiction Projects)	175.03		
Guild Weed End	35.88		
Guild, Special Memberships	548.85		
Guild Annual Meeting	289.25		
To Love—To Lift—To Light	2,208.00	$128,005.32	
Less Amount transferred to Cash for Supply Work for books to National College in honor of Mrs. C. N. Cadwallader, retiring President ..		300.00	
Total on Pledge		$127,705.32	
Youth		3,667.25	
Children		306.01	
Total on Appropriations		$131,678.58	
Cash for Supply Work		17,143.79	
Week of Prayer		7,997.12	
Supplementary		126.80	
Returns to Cultivation		1,384.90	
Alcohol Education		1,174.81	
Transient Funds:			
Assembly Offering	1,009.97		
Itineration Miss Mary Sue Brown	182.00	1,191.97	
Air Conditioner sold Rev. Carl Tooke		100.00	160,797.97
Plus Amount Credited to Pass Book First Federal Savings & Loan Ass'n.			231.43
TOTAL TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR ..... (Less Reserve For Cultivation)			$170,527.21

Disbursements

To Woman's Division of Christian Service W S C S		
Pledge	$84,403.32	
Jurisdiction Projects ..	2,271.95	
In Remembrance ..	914.87	
My World Bank .	2,115.74	
Scarritt College	500.00	
To Love-To Lift-To Light	1.920.00	
Special Memberships ...	9,592.00	101,717.88

Guild				
Pledge	$13,007.27			
Jurisdiction Projects	219.45			
In Remembrance	93.00			
My World Bank	113.62			
Lela Norris Scholarship	27.25			
To Love-To Lift-To Light	288.00			
Special Memberships	2,838.85	16,587.44		
TOTAL ON PLEDGE		$118,305.32		
Youth		3,667.25		
Children		306.01		
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS			$122,278.58	
Cash for Supply Work, WSCS			14,408.56	
Cash for Supply Work Guild			2,735.23	
Week of Prayer WSCS			6,855.81	
Week of Prayer, Guild			1,141.31	
Supplementary:				
Retired Missionaries	$70.00			
Crusade Scholarships	20.80			
Undesignated	36.00		126.80	
Total to Woman's Division			$147.546.29	
Louisiana Moral & Civic Foundation			1,738.13	
Transient Funds			1,218.58	
First Federal Savings & Loan Assn'.			100.00	
			$150,603.00	

Conference Cultivation	Budgeted	Disbursed		
Officers' Expense	$1,000.00	$ 681.85		
Annual Meeting	1,200.00	1,509.93		
Annual Report	1,000.00	1,117.30*		
Midyear Executive Meeting	250.00	202.14		
Jurisdiction-Assembly	700.00	1,188.82*		
Conference School of Missions	600.00	1,755.52*		
Officers' Clinics School of Missions	200.00			
Jurisdiction School of Missions	500.00	726.57**		
Christian Social Relations	300.00	125.00		
CSR Workshops	60.00			
Christian Career Clinics	200.00			
Conference Youth Director	600.00	600.00		
Co-operative Meetings	300.00	50.00		
Student Regional Conference	100.00	100.00		
Division Cultivation WSCS	40.00	34.99		
Jurisdiction Cultivation, WSCS	480.00	419.82		
Wesleyan Service Guild	1,125.00	1,170.85****		
Miscellaneous	745.00	417.66***		
	$9,400.00		$ 10,100.45	$160,703.45
Balance in Bank May 20, 1958				3,915.33
Rapides Building & Loan Ass'n.				3,000.00
First Federal Savings & Loan Ass'n. (Cash for Supply Work)				2.908.43
TOTAL ACCOUNTED FOR				$170,527.21

*Denotes refund to these accounts. See amount under "Designated Funds."

**Also denotes $187.50 Jurisdiction School of Missions June, 1958.

***Detailed Miscellaneous Disbursements:

Stationery	$ 13.98
Regional Workshops (Promotion)	71.50
Conference Workshops (Promotion)	100.00
Retreat Caney Lake	192.18
Love gifts, Assembly	40.00
	$417.66

****Detailed Guild Disbursements:

Officers Expense	$ 78.32
Guild Weekend	25.05
Coaching Conference	53.80
Division Cultivation	4.92
Jurisdiction Cultivation	59.04
Conference School of Missions	53.10
Annual Meeting	519.20
Guild Times	200.00
Assembly Expense	152.42
Assembly Offering	25.00
	$1,170.85

RECOMMENDATIONS

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS:

1. That pledge to Missions to the Woman's Division of Christian Service for the year 1958-1959 be $104,400.00.

2. That the Districts' pledge to Conference be:

Alexandria	$ 9,750.00
Baton Rouge	15,595.00
Lafayette	8,175.00
Lake Charles	12,100.00
Monroe	15,595.00
New Orleans	14,220.00
Ruston	14,540.00
Shreveport	24,000.00
	$113,975.00

3. That the budget for 1958-1959 be as follows:

Officers' Expense	$ 1,000.00
Annual Meeting	1,200.00
Annual Minutes	1,200.00
Mid-year Executive meeting	250.00
Jurisdiction Meeting	750.00
Conference School of Missions	800.00
Jurisdiction School of Missions	450.00
Christian Social Relations	200.00
Conference Workshops	100.00
Christian Career Clinics	200.00
Conference Youth Director	600.00
Co-operative Meetings	300.00
Student Regional Conference	100.00
Division Cultivation	40.00
Jurisdictional Cultivation	420.00
Miscellaneous	785.00
Wesleyan Service Guild	1,180.00
	$ 9,575.00

4. That an amount not to exceed $3,000.00, to be raised on the local level by freewill offering at the rate of 25c per member, be allocated to the salary of a Youth Worker on the staff of the Louisiana Moral and Civic Foundation. This action shall be reviewed annually.

5. That all funds sent in last year in excess of $3,000.00 and designated "Alcohol Education Fund" and all funds sent in this year be channeled to the Louisiana Moral and Civic Foundation.

6. That the $100.00 budgeted for "Student Regional Conference" in 1957-1958 be increased by $50.00, taken from the budget item "Cooperative Meetings"; and that the total of $150.00 be used for delegates to the Quadrennial Conference of the National Methodist Student Movement at Lawrence, Kansas in December.

7. That we publish the Newsletter in February, 1958, and that a committee be appointed to consider whether or not it be continued beyond that date.

8. That the mileage rate for transportation be increased to five cents per mile.

9. That the local society be encouraged to share the surplus in its treasury at the end of the year, sending it in, over and above.

10. That the promotion of the "My World Bank" plan be continued.

11. That individual women be challenged to contribute ninety-six dollars, which sum will maintain the whole program of work of the Woman's Division of Christian Service for five minutes, using the Service, To Love . . . To Lift . . . To Light.

12. That we work toward the goal of a functioning finance committee in every local society.

13. That a meaningful Pledge Service, presenting the unmet needs, be conducted in every local society.

PROMOTION

Mrs. C. W. Tebow, Secretary

As we review our work in the field of Promotion this year, we find much to rejoice over but we also have many areas that still need our attention. Our biggest gain is in organization. We now have only 28 unorganized churches and we look for many of these to join our ranks in the coming year. New Orleans District has joined the exclusive circle of 100% organized districts. Alexandria, Lake Charles, Ruston and Shreveport Districts had already reached that goal and are holding it. The three remaining districts are working hard to achieve this. Lake Charles, New Orleans and Shreveport Districts have reported 100% the entire year. It is discouraging to see though, that while we show a total of 1,300 new members, we have a net gain of only 4. We had 6 new societies organized this year but have a net loss of 5. These figures show us that we have a big year ahead of us, making up our losses and increasing our gains. Surely with the prayers of each of us and the help that we know we have from our Lord, we can go on to a better year.

ANNUAL REPORT

1957-1958

Organization	Alexandria	Baton Rouge	Lafayette	Lake Charles	Monroe	New Orleans	Ruston	Shreveport	Conference Total
No. Societies	39	60	28	29	49	37	45	48	335
Net Gain	—1	1	—1	—1	—2	1	—1	0	—5
Districts 100% Organized	*			*		*	*	*	5
No. Unorganized Churches	0	10	5	0	13	0	0	0	28
Districts 100% Reporting	2		1,3	1,2,3		1,2,3	1,3	1,2,3	Periods
New Members W.S.C.S.	75	224	114	130	137	267	94	241	1282
Total Members W.S.C.S.	1125	2044	1162	1450	1864	1728	1669	2839	13881
New District Members	5	1	0	1	1	6	4	0	18
Total District Members	42	1	8	10	1	8	32	15	117
Total Membership	1167	2045	1170	1460	1865	1736	1701	2854	13998
Net Gain	—2	126	—1	—19	—69	6	—55	45	4

Conference Totals for Year	1956-57	and 1957-58	Net Gain
Number of Societies	340	335	—5
Number of Unorganized Churches	33	28	5
Number Members. W.S.C.S.	13896	13881	—15
Number District Members	98	117	19
Total W.S.C.S. Membership	13994	13998	4

RECOMMENDATIONS

IT IS RECOMMENDED:

1. That we make earnest effort to achieve the organization of a Woman's Society of Christian Service in every church.
2. That circuit societies be organized, and district members be enlisted in isolated areas where it is not feasible to have a society in every church.
3. That leadership training be held on all levels.
4. That secretaries encourage the use of Workshop Techniques and group involvement in all areas; that is—officer training, clinics, workshops, and programs on all levels.
5. That we continue to enlist new members, cooperating with the Wesleyan Service Guild.
6. That attention be called to the following, in connection with reporting membership:

   a. The Constitution of the Woman's Society of Christian Service in the Local Church, Article 3, states:
   "A woman may become a member of this society by giving prayer, service, and an annual contribution of money to the total budget through membership offerings, or dues, pledges

or gifts. She shall contribute to, educate for, and promote the total program of the women of Methodism."

b. Total membership need be reported only once a year—in the Annual Report.

c. No name should be dropped from the roll except for death, request for transfer of membership, or at the desire of the woman herself. In compiling the figures for the Annual Report Blank, women about whom there is any question as to membership standing should be contacted before May 31. The Executive Committee, in consultation with the Committee on Membership shall make the final decision after contact has been made.

7. That careful reporting of transfer members be made, and count only the newly-enlisted members as "NEW," in order that we might have more accurate reports.
8. That we continue to strive for 100% reporting.
9. That we assist in the promotion of "My World Bank," and other plans as they are given us by the Division in the area of financial promotion.
10. That, for purposes of reporting the funds of the local Woman's Society of Christian Service to the Quarterly Conferences and the Annual Conference (of the local church), all funds which are sent by the local Woman's Society of Christian Service to the district and conference treasurer of the Woman's Society be counted as missionary giving, and that all other expenditures be reported as local work.
11. That we continue to encourage the study of the work and purpose of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, and strive to fulfill this purpose with sincere dedication.

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT

Mrs. Kathleen Waggoner

The Year 1957-1958 has not only been a good year but also a very busy one. We are very proud of the fact our District Pledge and askings for supply work were met and overpaid.

An excellent Seminar was held in First Methodist Church, Alexandria, under the leadership of Mrs. Charles Giessen, with Mrs. A. R. Scheffer in charge of the book room.

Another event of the year was Workshops on Promotion. The success has been proven with better reports and more interesting programs in both the local societies and zone meetings.

Our fall zone meeting stressed the four studies and as a result there was more interest throughout the year. 89 study classes were held with attendance of 1.052 members. There were 55 J. R. Classes, 12 Efficiency, and 22 no credit classes. The spring zone meeting emphasized Officers' Training conducted by district officers.

At our District Conference held in First Methodist Church, Natchitoches, Miss Mary Sue Brown, Missionary from Brazil, was the featured speaker with a most informative message about missions in Latin America.

Literature and free materials were displayed at the zone and district meetings. There were 344 subscriptions to Methodist Woman and 125 to World Outlook.

More and more of our societies are sponsoring Trick or Treat for UNICEF. More additional classes for children are being held and most all churches are holding Vacation Bible Schools.

Prayer Groups are growing in number, also the use of Prayer Calendars. A Spiritual Retreat at Camp Mil-Mar was planned and ably

carried out with Mrs. Vernon Gordon as leader. This is a new experience in our district and we hope to make it bigger and better next year. A Week of Prayer and World Day of Prayer were observed by most societies.

Our District has 39 societies, with membership 1,130. This includes 75 new members and five new district members. There is a society or district member in every Church. The District officers have worked hard to promote all phases of the work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. We are grateful for these accomplishments, and as our work grows through the years, may our vision so enlarge with study, love and understanding that we will continue to occupy a place in the "Endless Line of Splendor."

BATON ROUGE DISTRICT

Mrs. A. O. Buckingham

Baton Douge District with sixty societies and one district member has had a very good year. District Officers, Zone leaders and the local societies have worked wonderfully together.

Seminar was well attended, most interesting studies were presented, and more literature than ever before was sold.

Fall Zone meetings were given over to membership promotion and review of goals. A special treat was an address by Mrs. W. E. Trice, who told the group of her experience in England last summer where Dr. Trice went as exchange minister.

Spring Zone meetings throughout the district had excellent attendance. Reports from assembly and officer training were the order of the day at each meeting.

Atttendance at our Promotion Workshop was gratifying. Our groups were interested and we hope for good results from them.

High light of district conference at Denham Springs, with over 200 in attendance, was the address by Miss Mary Sue Brown, retired missionary, after 35 years in Brazil. She was indeed an inspiration.

The District and Local societies sponsored a Mission Tour for high school seniors and juniors again this year. They were a wide awake group and we hope that seeds sown will bear fruit later.

All conference pledges and supply askings have been met.

We have gained one new Society, Bluff Creek, and our first district member. Livington has been organized for 1958-1959 work.

We gained 224 new members but lost quite a number for various reasons—transferred to Guild, moved, deceased and failure of local societies to report their membership. Total membership is 1,936.

We are grateful for the achievement of the past year and sincerely hope that as we learn we will serve in a more acceptable manner.

LAFAYETTE DISTRICT

Mrs. Kenneth Trumps

Lafayette District officers have worked hard toward promoting all phases of the work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

The total membership of the District is 1,162. There was reported 114 new members, with a net gain of 37. There are 8 District members. We are sorry to report the loss of one Society, making 28 Societies; 5 unorganized churches.

Again this year our Pledge and Askings for supplies have been overpaid.

The District Seminar was held in Franklin under the leadership of Mrs. Robert Collie. It was very inspirational with increased emphasis on

studies and materials for Youth and Children. A very excellent bookroom was set up making it more interesting and easier to procure study books and other literature.

Something new in the District this year was a Wesleyan Service Guild Seminar. The District officers of the Woman's Society assisted the Guild in planning and presenting the studies.

Zone meetings were held in the Fall throughout the District with emphasis on Spiritual Life.

Three District officers attended Conference Workshop in Alexandria. There were two workshops held in the District in February. They were well attended and much enthusiasm was shown.

At the District Conference in Lafayette in April, Miss Mary Sue Brown was guest speaker, bringing a most inspirational message. Mrs. Paul Lasseigne led the installation service of newly elected District officers.

We are happy that our past President, Mrs. P. D. Lambert, has been promoted to Conference Secretary of Missionary Education. She along with others have worked very hard these past four years in organizing and promoting the work in the District.

We are grateful for the achievements of the past year. May we continue to work and pray together—"in the Spirit of Christ for all of Life."

LAKE CHARLES DISTRICT

Mrs. L. H. Cashen

A very successful Educational Seminar with outstanding attendance was held in the Lake Charles District. The four recommended studies were presented with great interest. As a result our District had more J.R.'s and Efficiency Classes reported.

We had good attendance at District and Sub-District meetings. These meetings were well planned, with the District and Conference Officers taking part in the programs and training.

The Promotion Workshops were the outstanding training of the year. All who attended were greatly benefited and went home, enthusiastic and full of new ideas to present to their Society.

The Lake Charles District is 100% organized with twenty-nine Societies and ten District members. There is a membership of 1,485. Each Society has reported all through the year 100%.

The Pledge to Missions and Supply giving was paid in full, with $25.00 extra for missions from District members.

All small and weak Societies have been cultivated this past year and, as a result, they have sent in good reports and show more enthusiasm for the work.

One new Society was organized, with Oberlin and Basil giving way to a District Member.

All Societies sent in a good report for the year. These reports covered increased membership, fellowship activities, prayer groups, increased use of audio-visual aids and literature.

It has been a most challenging and rewarding experience serving as District Promotion Secretary for the past three years. May God's blessings be upon each and everyone of you.

MONROE DISTRICT

Mrs. A. H. Harper

The women of the Monroe District are striving earnestly in all the

lines of work, so we may have "The Spirit of Christ For All of Life."

This year has been an interesting one. We show progress in all phases of our work.

We have 49 societies with 1,974 members, and a total of 137 new members, including one new district member. We have reorganized two societies.

Our reporting has been good, especially the quality of the reports. We have not been 100% each period.

One of the most helpful things we have had in our District this year have been the Promotion Workshops. We had three in different sections of the district. The women responded wonderfully and seemed to receive much from them.

Our Zone meetings were very fine. Both in the type meeting presented and the general response on the part of the women.

I have conducted officers' training in many of the societies in the district. The women seem eager to learn more about the work. We had good attendance at the Seminar at Rayville in September and our District meeting in April when Miss Mary Sue Brown was our guest speaker.

Our president, Mrs. A. J. Ensminger, attended the Assembly in St. Louis, and is filling the pulpit in many of the churches throughout the District, reporting on it.

It has been a wonderful year. A great deal has been done; much remains to be done. We are looking forward to another year of service for our Master.

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT

Mrs. Carl Gallaher

New Orleans District has made during the past year these advances:

36 Woman's Societies increased to 37; 1730 members increased to 1736; four District Members changed to 12; four unorganized churches reduced to none.

We have growth in the following areas:

Over paying the Pledge to Missions $1,964.00; over paying Supply Askings, both Home and Foreign; 100% organization of the District; 100% reporting has been maintained for more than a year; progress in race relations; created a city wide interest in the UNICEF project; substantial gain in approved studies; increase in Combination Subscriptions to the Methodist Woman and World Outlook; larger number of participants and added interest in the Christian Vocations Clinic; increase in local Church Vocations Committee; more additional sessions for children; the interest in students from each local church; better attendance at all meetings.

A backward glance leaves New Orleans District gratefully humble for the accomplishmens of the past, but there remains much to be done. It is our prayer as we work together with God we will do bigger and better things in the year ahead.

RUSTON DISTRICT

Mrs. L. C. Aycock

Ruston District is 100% organized with 45 societies, 10 Wesleyan Service Guilds and 32 District members. There are 94 new members, making a total enrollment of 1,571 Woman's Society of Christian Service members. An intensive membership drive was conducted in most of the societies.

Of 28 women registered at School of Missions at Centenary College, 19 credits were awarded.

Our 4 approved studies were most impressively presented at the Seminar in September at Jonesboro. The 129 members present represented 29 societies.

The District supported the Louise Eggleston Retreat at Caney Lake in October. As a result prayer groups, individual prayers and the use of prayer calendars have increased.

The two successful Promotion Workshops were attended by 60 very responsive women.

Eighteen delegates attended the Annual Conference in Monroe. At the Annual meeting held in Springhill 110 members came from 23 societies. An officers' clinic for local officers proved very beneficial.

Most interesting programs have been conducted at our Zone meetings.

Our Local Church Activities Committee report many fellowship socials for new mempers, students, youth and other church groups. Because of the number of building projects our members are quite busy helping to support the Church program in many ways.

It is with much pride that we report that Carl and Julia Williams have been accepted as missionaries to Bolivia.

Let us join our prayers that this "endless line of splendor" will continue.

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT

Mrs. W. D. Snelling

To accept responsibility in the total program in the local church, in order to promote "The Spirity Of Christ—For All Of Life," we in the Shreveport District planned to interpret properly the Woman's Society of Christian Service—it's program and purpose. Our work is done with a genuine desire to learn ourselves and to share that which we've learned with others.

We feel that our programs have been outstanding this year. During the School of Missions at Centenary, we held a meeting of our District Program Committee, including Zone leaders. We took time to evaluate our past program and made plans for the coming year. A play entitled "The Program Committee Plans," was presented by local women in each of three Zone meetings, which depicted the work of the Society as a whole for a year. 100% reports for each period showed definite results, both in planning and action as well as "whole group thinking." This has resulted in holding members and in securing new members.

Our Promotion Workshops were well attended. We continue 100% organized in the District with one society 100% organized. A total of 48 societies with a membership of 2.854 (less 19 Wesleyan Service Guilds with a membership of 357); 15 District members contributed $22.00; 241 new members were added to our rolls. Approximately $2.435.00 paid for Life Memberships; $1,186.15 Week of Prayer; $356.50 In Remembrance Fund; $321.71 from results of studies and $324.48 Alcohol Education Fund.

Yes, this has been a busy year but a happy one. I attended 8 Officers' Training; was a delegate to Mt. Sequoyah; attended 3 Zone meetings, 1 District meeting, the committee meetings of Conference and District; conducted 3 Promotion Workshops and assisted the Ruston District with one of their workshops; attended School of Missions, Seminar, 2 Wesleyan Service Guilds and all District Executive meetings. We were well represented at the Annual Conference at Monroe. All reports, local and District, were 100% for the entire year.

I pray that the Lord will give me the strength to continue in this great work.

MISSIONARY EDUCATION

Mrs. P. D. Lambert, Secretary

Last year approved study classes of the Louisiana Conference Woman's Society and the Guild numbered 880 with over 12,000 attending. Most of this was under the capable leadership of Mrs. F. C. Haley and Mrs. F. G. Phillips, as I did not become secretary until March. What a wonderfully privileged three months it has been for me! I was thrilled to total 363 J.R. credits, an increase of 74, and I almost wept over 12 that had not quite met our high standards. Special recognition is due three districts that had 60 or more: Shreveport 62, Alexandria 61, Baton Rouge 60. Special recognition also goes to Societies with 4 or more J.R. studies this year: Pineville 12, Homer 6, Trinity in Alexandria 5, Melville 5, Noel Memorial in Shreveport 5, Bogalusa 4, Blackwater 4, Waterproof 4, and Jefferson in New Orleans 4. The Guilds having 4 J.R.'s were Bogalusa, Opelousas, New Iberia, and Abbeville. Many others had 2 or more. This increase is in part due to the fact that 1,951 members attended some type of educational training this year. We have our weak points. There are 17 Societies without a secretary of Missionary Education. Forty-six did not report this year. There is a need for more accurate reporting.

There were two innovations in our work that are well worth our consideration. First, the Alexandria District had presented the 4 approved and church-wide studies at all zone meetings. Mrs. Charles Giessen reported a large increase in number and quality of studies. Second, the Lafayette District Guild had their first Guild Seminar. There are 5 Guilds in Lafayette District. Three have had 4 studies; the other two have had two studies—a total of 16 J.R. credits.

Our studies for next year look interesting and challenging, so may we as Local, District, and Conference Secretaries of Missionary Education realize the tremendous importance and responsibility of our work as we remember our new theme, "Reaching out to Others Through Study."

RECOMMENDATIONS

WE RECOMMEND:

1. That a careful study be made of the report blank for secretaries of Missionary Education on all levels.
2. That every local Society have a Secretary of Missionary Education working toward these obejectives:
   a. Period reports on time.
   b. Reading Circles among shut-ins.
   c. Add regularly to the Church or Woman's Society Library.
   d. Continued use of films, missionary publications, and missionary speakers to stimulate missionary interest.
   e. Attend as many Conference and District meetings, Schools of Missions, and Seminars as possible.
   f. Present missionary information in varied ways at the general program or Circle meeting each month.
3. That every local Society and Wesleyan Service Guild work toward having all four approved studies.
4. That full cooperation be given the Pastor and the Commission on Missions in the promotion of the current church-wide study.
5. That tours to nearby Woman's Division projects be encouraged.
6. That there be a warm, personal contact between Secretaries of Missionary Education on all levels.

1958 SCHOOL OF MISSIONS AND CHRISTIAN SERVICE
CENTENARY COLLEGE, SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA
August 11-15, 1958

Dean: Mrs. G. W. Dameron
Chairman: Mrs. Wideman Watson

Courses and Instructors:

Middle East:
Mrs. Henry Goodloe, North Little Rock, Ark.
Mrs. E. L. Hillman, Silver City, N. C.

Christian Concerns of North American Neighbors:
Mrs. D. W. Poole, Baton Rouge, La.
Mrs. B. F. Harrison, Stillwater, Okla.

Understanding Other Cultures:
Mrs. Paul Arrington, Jackson, Miss.

A Study of Isaiah:
Mrs. G. W. Dameron, Shreveport, La.
Rev. G. W. Dameron, Shreveport, La.
Mrs. W. W. Paxton, Lake Charles, La.
Mrs. George Sexton, Shreveport, La.

CLINICS

President	Vice-President	Missionary Education
Spiritual Life	Promotion	Christian Social Relations
Youth Work	Student Work	Literature and Publications
Wesleyan Service Guild		Missionary Personnel

WORKSHOP

All students will participate in the group experience, "A New Approach to the Work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service."
Leaders: Mrs. G. W. Pomeroy and Mrs. Lee Tidwell.

MISSIONARY SERVICE

Mrs. Lonnie Clark, Secretary

It was at the Mid-Year Executive Committee meeting in 1956 in Houma, Louisiana, that it was decided to separate the office of Missionary Education and Service into two offices in the Louisiana Conference, adding the secretary of Missionary Service. By January 1957 this office was filled. On January 21, 1957 contacts started, first with our foreign workers, then with our deaconesses, US-2's, contract workers and with each retired worker who claimed Louisiana as her home. Everyone was given the news of this new office with a message of love, interest and prayer.

The response to these letters has been so gratifying. Each has been contacted the second time during the year; also Christmas cards were mailed to each from the Conference and each birthday has been remembered. This has been met with deep appreciation as they realize their Conference cared enough to keep in touch with each one individually.

This office has functioned in keeping our workers before the local societies through the Conference News; answering all inquiries regarding where certain workers are; giving names and information concerning our missionaries to local societies upon request; getting out mimeographed information on mission work in Japan to be used in connection with our study of Japan; compiling a Scrap Book with pictures of our workers with personal messages from them. This includes active and retired workers.

Local societies have been urged to visit our Institutions and use as many of our workers as possible on their local programs, in order to bring our workers and their phase of the work to a local level.

This is the beginning of a great field of opportunity to serve our Master in a closer relationship with our work.

RECOMMENDATIONS

CHANNEL MISSIONARY INFORMATION

1. Through distribution and use of missionary letters.
2. Through speaking and teaching opportunities.
3. Through personal contact.

CONTACT MISSIONARIES

1. Through correspondence
   News letters
   Greetings
   Personal notes.
2. Through invitations of Conference, District and Local meetings and to Schools of Missions and Christian Service.

PROVIDE INFORMATION REGARDING MISSIONARY SUPPORT
SHARE RECRUITMENT RESPONSIBILITIES

1. With Secretaries of Missionary Personnel
2. With the Wesleyan Service Guild
3. With Prayer Groups
4. With retired workers through the "Fellowship of Intercession."

WE RECOMMEND THAT:

1. Recognition of workers be given at Annual Conference, District Conference and in local Societies.
2. Correspondence with workers on the field be encouraged among those supporting the workers and members of the workers home societies, and that these letters be "newsy" and that due to heavy duties of worker, the letters be written with no thought of a reply.
3. Boards of Institutions evaluate their programs, if possible members attend workshops, getting over-all picture of economic and social conditions in view of changing situations.
4. There be planned tours to our Institutions and stations of work.
5. Missionary information be channeled to district and local societies for monthly meetings.

CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS

Mrs. M. R. Tatum, Secretary

The second year of the quadrennium has found Methodist Women across Louisiana at work on those issues and needs that relate to the Christian's responsibility for "Understanding Our World in the Spirit of Christ."

During this year the United Nations has become a greater channel for understanding between the peoples of the world than ever before. Many study groups on the U.N. have been reported. The women have worked diligently to see that the work of the UNICEF received as much publicity as possible in their communities. In this connection, hundreds of Trick or Treat UNICEF Halloween celebrations have been arranged and over $1.000 was contributed to this work.

United Nations Day and Human Rights Day have provided occasions when Methodist women have helped to plan programs with community participation resulting in better education about the United Nations and a growing feeling of brotherhood.

Citizenship responsibilities have also been taken seriously. The "brunches," "coffees" and informal discussion groups have helped women confront the issues of the day, and to make an impact where decisions are being made. Letters on extension of the Reciprocal Trade Agreements, and approval of Office of Trade Cooperation, have gone to Congress from all over the State. Letters to our State senators and representatives have shown the interest of the women.

Due to our continued interest in the Alcohol problem, the women have continued to contribute to the Louisiana Moral and Civic Foundation. This money is being used to pay the salary of a young man to present information about alcohol to youth. Many letters have been written on the "sale and service of alcoholic beverages on airlines." Letters commending Delta Air Lines for refusal to sell alcoholic beverages were written.

There has been cooperation by Methodist women with the Boards and agencies of the church in the field of social action. Methodist women have cooperated with United Church women.

The Study theme, "The Social Witness of the Local Church in the Ecumenical Movement," based on the Amsterdam message, has been reported by many societies. The voice of Christians and the Christian church must be heard, declaring with the boldness of Peter and John, that Jesus Christ is Lord and that His message must be proclaimed "to those in power and to the people."

FINANCIAL STATEMENT—CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS

RECEIVED:	
1956	$ 50.00
June 28, 1957	75.00
May 10, 1958	50.00
	$175.00
DISBURSEMENTS:	
Printing and Mailing	$ 35.58
Stamps, Stamped envelopes stationery	53.33
Telephone and Telegraph	9.64
Board of World Peace	2.00
Membership—	
Louisiana Organization for State Legislation 1956-57, 57-58	50.00
Filmstrip	4.00
	$154.55
BALANCE, JUNE 1, 1958	$ 20.45

RECOMMENDATIONS

"Understanding Our World in the Spirit of Christ" calls the women of Louisiana to a new dedication of purpose. In order that our profession and our behaviour may be more in harmony,

IT IS RECOMMENDED, THAT:

1. We use the study **"Understanding Other Cultures"** to help us 'broaden the horizons of our local church and community' by getting to know people in our community from other lands and cultures, thereby gain a new experience of fellowship.
2. The **United Nations** have our full support in the following ways: (a) Promotion and use of the UN Creed; (b) Urge Congressmen to vote for continued financial support and cooperation in the

UN, particularly in the area of technical assistance; (c) Publicize the UN Seminars—both the cooperative and those for local and district groups.

3. Plans for the proper observance of the **10th Anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights** be made in Conference, District and Local Societies, by: (a) Use of the November program in Program Booklet; (b) Use of pamphlet "In Your Hands" (Lit. Hq.)
4. **Christian Citizenship**, in the form of "brunches," "coffees" or informal discussion groups, be given some place in this year's program in local societies. Use "Guide for Citizenship Brunches," "Your Vote Counts," "Where Does Christian Citizenship Begin" and "Register Christian Opinion." Plan to write Congressmen on such issues as: Sale and service of alcoholic beverages on airlines; Aid to India; Education and Disarmament.
5. **Local workshops** be a new emphasis beginning this year. Basic guidance kits on an experimental basis will be provided in the areas of World Trade, Housing and Farm Issues. These kits may also be used in Citizenship Brunches and Circle Programs.
6. **Cooperation with other Boards and Agencies of the Church** be continued at all levels. Help promote the new filmstrip "A New Kind of Building" for use with social action groups. It is released under joint sponsorship of the Boards of Temperance, World Peace, Social and Economic Relations, and the Woman's Division.
7. **Alcohol**—Because of the urgent need for alcohol education the executive committee of the Louisiana Conference of the Woman's Society of Christian Service recommends that the support of the Louisiana moral and civic Foundation be reinstated on a local level. Please place in your local budget a sum equivalent to 25 cents per member for this cause.

   Attentom is called to the following joint conferences:

   UN Cooperative Seminar, New York and Washington, Sept. 29 - Oct. 2, 1958.

   School of Alcohol Studies, Green Lake, Wis., Oct. 8 - 15, 1958.

   National Conference on Family Life, Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago, Ill., Oct. 17 - 19, 1958.

   Conference on Industrial Relations, Place to be determined, Oct. 30, Nov. 2, 1958.

WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD

Mrs. Minza Rabun, Secretary

The Louisiana Conference Wesleyan Service Guild reports another very good year. We have 94 units, with a membership of 2,002. Five units were dropped, but we organized two new ones. One that dropped was absorbed into another unit in the same church. The new units are: Southside in the Monroe District and Greenwood in the Shreveport District.

Our Pledge to Missions was $12,925.00, this was over-paid as follows:

Paid on Pledge	$13.007.27	
Jurisdiction Projects	219.45	
In Remembrance	93.00	
My World Bank	113.62	
Marion Lela Norris Scholarship	27.25	
To Love—To Lift—To Light	288.00	
Special Memberships	2,838.85	
Total on Appropriations		$16,587.44

Week of Prayer Offering		1,141.31
Cash and Supply Work		
Magazine and Picture Fund	138.00	
Sager Brown (Home Asking)	1,240.55	
Kuala Lumpur (Foreign Asking)	950.27	
Undesignated (Supply Work)	146.50	
All other Supply Work	259.91	
Total Cash for Supply Work		$2,735.23
Cultivation		$1,125.00
Louisiana Moral and Civic Foundation		266.00

Our per capita giving to Missions was $8.42, an increase of 49 cents over last year. Our per capita giving for Supply Work was $1.39 an increase of seven cents. Our total per capita giving for both was $9.81.

We are completely organized in four lines of work namely: Spiritual Life, Missionary Education, Christian Social Relations and Supply Work. The chairmen of these sub-committees have worked very closely with the corresponding officers in the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

January was really Guild Month in the Louisiana Conference. Many of the units had something special each Sunday of the month. Many Woman's Societies entertained their local Guilds. Some of the units presented their local pastors with Life Memberships.

RECOMMENDATIONS

IT IS RECOMMENDED:

1. That the Membership Crusade be continued with special interest given to the enlistment of younger women.
2. That each District Secretary make a survey to determine the number of **New Guilds Needed** immediately within the district.
3. That Wesleyan Service Guilds with a membership of 50 or more—give immediate consideration to organizing another unit.
4. That every Conference and District officer secure a copy of "Woman-power" from her library and carefully study this report which was published by Columbia University.
5. **Christian Social Relations:** That we continue to work for the ratification of the Charter of Racial Policies in the local units. Question Number 2 on the Check List specifically asks, "Has the Charter been ratified by your local Woman's Society or Guild? Our task has not been finished until we present this to each local group.
6. **Supply Work:** That we educate our local women to the fact that when they have given the amount asked for on their Supply projects, they have met the **Need**, and all monies over this amount be paid to **Missions.** We should **not** overpay to our Supply projects.
7. **Missionary Education:** That each Conference and District chairman of Missionary Education work closely with the corresponding officers of the Woman's Society in the correlation of plans and the integration of ideas for promoting the Missionary Education program in the total plan of the Woman's Society of Christian Service.
8. **Spiritual Life:** That Spiritual Life committees, local, district and conference unite our efforts—

   1—to lead our members to a deeper consecration and more effective Christian Service.

   2—through definite prayer for young people and trained business and professional adults to dedicate their lives in Christian Service.

9. That every member of the Wesleyan Service Guild be challenged to rededicate herself over to the purposes of the Guild: (1) Opportunity of Spiritual enrichment; (2) Christian fellowship; (3) to work for the development of a Christian World.

STUDENT WORK

Mrs. D. W. Poole, Secretary

As I make this last annual report as Conference Secretary of Student Work, I remember with joy all the opportunities I have had in this work. Also, there is sadness in realizing many things have not been accomplished. I wish that I might inspire everyone with my firm conviction that Student Work is very important and a great privilege.

As I look back over the records, I realize that this past year there were more than twice as many "blue cards" sent in than in 1954, and I am sure the number will continue to increase. As Student Secretaries we realize this is one way we can help our students become acquainted with the Wesley Foundation. The use of the card to be given to our service men has been stressed also. More churches now are observing Student Day in June and December.

This was the year for the Fifth Quadrennial National M.S.M. Conference. There were 102 students and adults who attended this conference. This was a tremendous experience for them. It was a privilege for the Woman's Society on the conference level, as well as many local societies, to have a part in making this possible for them.

The M.S.M. State Conference met in March in Baton Rouge. It was my privilege to attend the conference and to have a small part in it. Realizing the great need for more Christian workers, the entire conference was based on the Church and the Church related vocations and the needs today. This should be a challenge to us to help the young people of today to see and answer this need.

The Student Secretaries have taken and will continue to take a vital part in the continuing progress of the M.S.M. We feel as someone has said, "As goes the campus so goes the nation and the world."

RECOMMENDATIONS

WE RECOMMEND:

1. That each local society elect a secretary of student work and actively support student work in the local church.
2. That each society put special emphasis on the observance of Methodist Student Day and Student Recognition Day in the local church.
3. That continued interest be maintained in youth from other lands, those in the service of our country, and those on the campus.
4. That each society urge the local secretary of student work to attend conference schools of missions when a clinic or workshop on student work is conducted.
5. That student information cards be sent to the campuses before August 1st.
6. That training opportunities be provided for secretaries of student work at every level of the society.
7. That secretaries of student work at every level cooperate with secretaries of youth work and secretaries of missionary personnel in a united program that will challenge youth to make decisions for Christian careers within the framework of the church.
8. That students who attended the quadrennial meeting of the Methodist Student Movement in Lawrence, Kansas, be invited to share this experience with the members of the Woman's Society whenever it is feasible to do so.

YOUTH WORK

Mrs. W. E. Trice, Secretary

While the secular world considers the inadequacies of the education of our youth for the space age, the Church through its total program continues to give our young people a faith that will not fail in any age. The emphasis on the whole world for Christ cannot help but give a perspective that is not bound to this life but is in tune with the infinite.

Secretaries of Youth Work in the local churches continue to report increasing numbers of MYF groups who are participating in studies in the field of National and World Missions, such as Indian Americans, Japan, and Lands of Witness and Decision. Under local and district sponsorship, more of our young people have taken mission tours that gave them a first hand knowledge of the several institutions under the Woman's Division in Louisiana. Money has been raised within local groups that has made it possible for Korean orphans to be adopted, a Greek child to be sponsored, and a Cuban girl's way paid in summer camping programs.

Other religions and cultures have been studied and young people have taken part in interdenominational programs until this year's reports tell over and over again of the widening horizons and broader vision that our youth are acquiring.

Month after month different MYF groups conduct sacrificial meals that the money thus obtained might go to feed the millions of hungry children in other lands. To insure the good life for the thousands whom they have not seen, reports come of the prayer vigils for world peace and collections made for UNICEF and MCOR.

The encouraging part of these reports is that along with these youth in our churches over two hundred local and district Secretaries of Youth Work tell how closely they cooperate as teachers and counsellors that dreams can become reality, that in the realm of the Spirit we need not fear that our young people are unprepared.

RECOMMENDATIONS

FOR THE YEAR 1958 - 1959 WE RECOMMEND:

1. That every Woman's Society of Christian Service elect a Secretary of Youth Work, giving careful consideration to instructions for election on page 15 of "A Guide" and on page 243 of "Handbook of the MYF."
2. That every Secretary of Youth Work, working through the Youth Council of which she is a member, promote the missionary units in the Methodist literature for youth and the missionary materials for youth of the Joint Commission on Missionary Education.
3. That the Woman's Society of Christian Service provide leadership and materials for the youth mission studies.
4. That in every local church the Secretary of Youth Work help in every way possible to establish and maintain an **active** Committee on Christian Vocations.
5. That the Secretary of Youth Work acquaint young people with the needs and opportunities in missionary and deaconess service, and report the names of potential recruits.
6. That on every level Secretaries of Youth Work seek to personalize the **projects** for which the MYFund is used, and that they urge effective pledge services, personal pledging, and systematic giving to the MYFund.
7. That the Secretary of Youth Work on all levels work cooperatively with the total church program for youth.

8. That every local Secretary of Youth Work endeavor to stimulate interest in a World Friendship Group of Girls within the senior and older youth MYF, this being a study of interest group for the purpose of becoming familiar with the work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Programs should be centered on the materials prepared for this group. (For information concerning procedures consult the foreword to the 1957 programs for World Friendship Groups, **Boundless Adventures.**)
9. That Secretaries of Youth Work on all levels be encouraged to participate in training opportunities for adult workers with youth.
10. That Secretaries of Youth Work on all levels promote the International Christian Youth Exchange by helping to secure homes for exchange students from other countries and in searching our eligible, consecrated youth who might be recommended for the exchange.

CHILDREN'S WORK

Mrs. S. E. Richardson, Secretary

As we come to the end of our four years of work with Children's Secretaries in the Woman's Society of Christian Service, it seems natural to look back over records and attempt to evaluate what has taken place. We see that an all time high of 260 societies reporting has been set. We know that 231 groups are familiar with our church's mission work in Japan, and other places, because they used Methodist materials in their Sunday morning sessions of the Church School. In additional sessions, 194 have used the suggested studies and they have said marvelous things about the materials. Only 77 claimed they turned the offering over to the local church treasurer with the Children's Service Fund Remittance Blank. That is the proper channel for our missionary giving now. Even though 117 used their money for other good causes, our total was $568.15. Think what the figure would have been if everyone had understood the plan. Let's use those blanks next time and give it ALL to missions through the regular process. Our Conference Treasurer has credited the 50% received from the Conference Treasurer of the Church, plus some additional funds given by children, to total $306.01 as Children's Service Fund.

Another weak spot seems to be in the Council of Children's Workers with less than a third of our churches really making plans for the children. They deserve more consideration than that, don't you agree?

More secretaries have taken training this year than ever before. Since 122 have been concerned enough to try to improve the type of work they're doing, good results will surely follow.

Excellent Institutes for Missionary Education of children were held in nearly all districts. Judging by the enthusiastic reports after additional sessions, this must have been one of the very best units we have had. The filmstrips were in great demand and quite helpful.

I have enjoyed this opportunity of service, as well as the fellowship of so many good friends among you. Thank you for giving me this privilege.

RECOMMENDATIONS

In light of the urgent needs of children in this time of world crises, and the opportunities for service awaiting Christian leaders of children, the following Recommendations are made:

1. That secretaries of Children's Work form a "Fellowship of Prayer For Children," and pray daily that we may help to improve the condition of Children around the World.

2. That a qualified secretary of Children's Work be elected in every local Woman's Society of Christian Service according to the plan provided on pages 19-20 of **A Guide for the Woman's Society of Christian Service, 1956-60.**
3. That secretaries of Children's Work in the local churches take advantage of the Officer's Training Day provided by the Woman's Society of Christian Service, and to increase their skills by attending local, district and conference training opportunities provided for church school workers.
4. That the secretary of Children's Work challenge her church to provide Additional Sessions with children for the study of approved mission units for children during the year 1958-59.
5. That Fall Workshops on Missionary Education of Children be held in ALL districts.
6. That the secretary of Children's Work seek to bring about a better understanding of the **Children's Service Fund** and promote the fund vigorously.
7. That the secretary of Children's Work co-operate with the secretary of Christian Social Relations in all matters which concern children.
8. That the secretary of Children's Work help children to achieve a growing interest in and appreciation of people of all races and nations and their need for Christ in their lives.

LITERATURE AND PUBLICATIONS

Mrs. Wideman Watson, Secretary

The Kingdom of God is light. Often we see a light when we read. The amount of light is in our hands. God chooses us to be conductors of this light.

As a world organization, Literature Headquarters provides material for all our work. The purpose of our Literature is to keep us abreast of Christian Service in our world organization. Select the material suitable to your area and the material your area wants to study and use it to make your programs live. As our special responsibility, it is our privilege to promote these materials.

Our progress continues upward. We have a small increase in the subscriptions to THE METHODIST WOMAN and WORLD OUTLOOK. Every issue of our two magazines has an article for spiritual food and every issue tells us of our missionary work.

PRAYER CALENDAR 1958 contains names, addresses of Woman's Division deaconesses and missionaries and also of Division of World Mission Workers. Your prayers unite the work of the church abroad as a prayer project.

The EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT is one of the finest pieces of informational material available of the work of our Woman's Division and a MUST for every Woman's Society of Christian Service and Wesleyan Service Guild.

I must pay tribute to the eight district secretaries of Louisiana Conference. All eight have entered this year's work with a spirit of unity and dedication to promote the use of our wonderful literature and have Louisiana 100% reporting.

RECOMMENDATIONS

WE RECOMMEND THAT:

1. Every society recognize the value of literature as help in our work and choose a secretary who will seek to fulfill her office in every way.

2. Local, district, and conference secretaries:
   a. Study and restudy the HANDBOOK on LITERATURE AND PUBLICATIONS and the report blanks.
   b. Consult the back of THE METHODIST WOMAN each month and pass on information about new materials to each officer.
   c. Constantly work for subscribers to THE METHODIST WOMAN and WORLD OUTLOOK with special emphasis during stated campaigns.
   d. Report fully on time.

3. District and conference secretaries:
   a. Assume full responsibility for ordering, displaying, and selling literature at schools and seminars. (This service can be enhanced by contacting teachers and leaders for their suggestions before ordering.)
   b. Study and analyze each report and send suggestions for improvement.

SPIRITUAL LIFE CULTIVATION

Mrs. W. W. Paxton, Secretary

Our Secretaries of Spiritual Life on the local, district and conference level have accepted this position feeling that it offers not only a great opportunity but a challenge and a privilege. Because "the soul is restless until it finds itself in Thee," it is a great joy to find ways and means in which the Presence of God can be made a reality in the lives of our women. The following will give some of the activities in our conference during the year.

Many societies have had the Study of the Gospel According to Mark, and many others plan to present the study. All report a keener interest in Bible Study and a real effort to be a better "Disciple to Such a Lord."

Most societies reported the observance of both the Week of Prayer and Self-Denial and the World Day of Prayer.

There has been a concerted effort to include the shut-ins in our program. These persons have much to contribute to our program, and I feel certain that next year even more will be done to include them.

While the number of prayer groups has not increased as our secretaries desired, yet there has been a larger number reported. We hope for more next year.

The use of the PRAYER CALENDAR is increasing as our women learn more of its use.

Numerous Retreats and Quiet Days have been held throughout our conference.

The number enrolled in the Fellowship of Intercession shows a little increase over last year. The women enrolled consider it a privilege to pray for the special projects listed on the Card of Intercession.

The Secretaries have cooperated with their pastors and all groups in the church in every way possible, to enrich the spiritual life of the church and community.

May the days ahead challenge us even more to "Attempt great things for God and to expect great things from God."

RECOMMENDATIONS

Because we covet for our women the "Joy of Discovering Christ and communicating this Joy to Others"

WE RECOMMEND:

1. Every Woman's Society of Christian Service and Wesleyan Service Guild elect the best qualified person as Secretary of Spiritual Life and as Chairman of Spiritual Life, respectively
2. As soon as elected that said person obtain and study carefully as MINIMUM tools of her work: The HANDBOOK for Secretaries and Standing Committees on Spiritual Life (1956-1960), the report blank, The Spiritual Life Packet (1958-59) and the Prayer Calendar.
3. The Secretary or Chairman of Spiritual Life FORM and USE the Standing Committee on Spiritual Life designated for her in the Handbook.
4. That this committee set up a Calendar of Activities to meet the needs of their particular group, guided in general by suggestions on the Spiritual Life page of the Methodist Woman; A Day Apart, A Retreat and other special times for quiet and meditation are especially recommended for being included in this Calendar.
5. That this committee accept as its first responsibility the cultivating of the Spiritual Life of the Woman's Society and the Guild as a part of the church; and be alert and cooperative in helping to deepen the spiritual life of the entire church.
6. Promote at least one prayer group in every society, including our shut-ins in the planning of same.
7. Promote the use of our Prayer Calendar.
8. Prayerfully and sincerely endeavor to make our Spiritual Life studies a real experience of personal spiritual growth.
9. Encourage our local women to plan now to be able to report "Summer was a time of real cultivation of the spirit." Occasionally some still report "The Usual Summer Slump."
10. That EACH SECRETARY of Spiritual Life report ON TIME each period to her District Secretary.

SUPPLY WORK

Mrs. C. B. McGowan, Secretary

There has been a great deal of interest in the work of the Institutions assigned to the Louisiana Conference for Cash Supply Work. All of the Askings were overpaid.

We were asked for $5.030 on the Home Field and paid $7.553.71. On the Foreign Field we were asked for $5.495.00 and paid $6,847.35. Total Askings were $10.125.00 and total giving was $16.300.43. However, this was a decrease from what we gave last year—a decrease of $1,251.84.

The Guild, too, had a decrease from what they gave last year on the Home Field. There was a slight increase in the giving on the Foreign Field.

There was a decrease in the giving to Supply Work on the part of the Children and Youth.

This year there was a cash value of $30.75 sent to the Foreign Field. We were asked not to send materials to the Foreign Field.

New Orleans was the only District reporting 100%. All of the Districts have done good work and there was an increase in the total number of individual societies reporting during the year.

There is evidence that the Secretary of Supply Work is serving on the Finance Committee in the Local Society. It is hoped that the Secretary of Supply Work will soon be serving on this Committee in every society.

The results of the "Christmas in August" parties bring joy to the hearts of the Children at Christmas time. Your wonderful response provided a gift for each child.

Continue to save coupons for St. Mark's Community Center Camp. These coupons help us get cash to buy equipment for the camp.

Dulac Indian Center will be glad to receive good, clean used garments of all sizes.

Let us continue to be a witness in carrying out Christ's command that we love our neighbor and that we feed His sheep. In this way we can help to carry on His work.

RECOMMENDATIONS

If each Society did some Supply Work and as nearly as possible each period, the Askings would be met 100%. Therefore, we recommend:

1. That every District Secretary of Supply Work take seriously the task of seeing that each society in her district be given an Asking and that each society do some Supply Work during the year.
2. That the institution and piece of work on each conference Askings list be studied in order to further educate and interest the women in supplying the needs.
3. That each Local Secretary of Supply Work so promote the work of the institutions on her Askings list that each society will recognize its opportunity for service.
   a. More intensive use of Woman's Division literature and missionary letters be used, plus any visual aids available.
4. That only materials and articles on Askings list be sent to an institution or worker and that Askings be met before doing other Supply work.
5. That **all** cash for Supply Work be sent through the treasurers with **detailed** information as to country, institution and/or worker that she may direct the giving through Supply Work accurately.
6. That a Secretary of Supply Work be elected (on all levels) who has a creative interest in the opportunities for service, who will attend training opportunities, use the Handbook to guide her, and send reports in on time each period.

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

Home Field Asking: $5,956.45 | **Cash Supply Work 1958-1959** | **Foreign Field Asking: $4,673.00**

Home Field	District	Foreign Field
DULAC INDIAN CENTER Box 1150, Dulac, La. NATIONAL COLLEGE 5123 Truman Rd., Kansas City 27, Mo.	ALEXANDRIA	EWHA HIGH SCHOOL SEOUL, KOREA
DULAC INDIAN CENTER Box 1150, Dulac, La. WESLEY FOUNDATION, LA. TECH. Ruston, Louisiana	BATON ROUGE	AFRICA—UNDESIGNATED EWHA HIGH SCHOOL SEOUL, KOREA
NATIONAL COLLEGE 5123 Truman Rd., Kansas City, 27, Mo. MacDONELL METHODIST CENTER Box 270, Houma, Louisiana	LAFAYETTE	JAPAN—UNDESIGNATED CENTRO MacDONELL DURANGO, MEXICO
DULAC INDIAN CENTER Box 1150, Dulac, La. LA. RURAL WORK, ST. TAMMANY PARISH LaCombe, La.	LAKE CHARLES	AFRICA—UNDESIGNATED JAPAN—UNDESIGNATED
SAGER BROWN HOME AND GODMAN SCHOOL Baldwin, Louisiana PEOPLE'S METHODIST COMMUNITY CENTER 2109 Simon Boliver Ave., New Orleans, La. NATIONAL COLLEGE 5123 Truman Rd., Kansas City 27, Mo.	MONROE	AFRICA—UNDESIGNATED EWHA HIGH SCHOOL SEOUL, KOREA

Home Field	District	Foreign Field
DULAC INDIAN CENTER Box 1150, Dulac, La. SAGER BROWN HOME AND GODMAN SCHOOL Baldwin, Louisiana MacDONELL METHODIST CENTER Box 270, Houma, La.	NEW ORLEANS	AFRICA—UNDESIGNATED
ST. MARK'S COMMUNITY CENTER 1130 N. Rampart, New Orleans, La. NATIONAL COLLEGE 5123 Truman Rd., Kansas City 27, Mo.	RUSTON	CENTRO MacDONELL DURANGO, MEXICO
MacDONELL METHODIST CENTER Box 270, Houma, La. ST. MARK'S COMMUNITY CENTER 1130 N. Rampart, New Orleans, La. LA. RURAL WORK, ST. TAMMANY PARISH LaCombe, La.	SHREVEPORT	JAPAN—UNDESIGNATED EWHA HIGH SCHOOL SEOUL, KOREA CENTRO MacDONELL DURANGO, MEXICO

Each Society has been assigned a definite share of the Cash Askings for their District. Every Society is asked to give the amount alloted to them for the Home and Foreign Field before doing other Cash Supply Work.

STATUS OF WOMEN

Mrs. A. F. Hanson, Secretary

Our line of work is at present in process of being studied by local Societies and Wesleyan Service Guilds, as well as in the Standing Committee of Status of Women of the Woman's Division.

The new free leaflet, "Changing Patterns for Women," calls attention to the changing role of women in church and society and makes suggestions as to implications for the work of the Woman's Division both on the national and local levels. A number of Societies have not yet sent in replies to the questionnaire included in this leaflet, as requested. May I urge you to do so without delay.

Whatever the outcome of this study may be, we have been assured that there will be NO CHANGE IN OUR WORK until the new quadrennium begins in 1960.

Our secretaries have been loyal and devoted in spite of many obstacles, and I know that they will continue to perform the duties outlined for them in our by-laws. At this particular time, it is important that we work more diligently than ever before, realizing that the future of the work may really depend on us.

Thanks to each of you for your splendid cooperation throughout my tenure of office. It has indeed been a joy to work with you in the service of our Master.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Women have tremendous potential ability which needs to be awakened, trained and channeled into constructive purposes; therefore, the following recommendations are made:

1. Assist women to find the place where they may serve best by keeping the Service Activity Cards properly filed. Duplicates of this file should be made available to your Woman's Society, Director of Religious Education, Pastor and Nominating Committee.

   If the Service Activity Card from the Literature Headquarters is not sufficient for your use, compile your own card, incorporating in it the services peculiar to your own location. The December 1957 issue of The Methodist Woman, Page 26, gives splendid suggestions for the survey of TALENTS.

2. Order from Literature Headquarters, 7820 Reading Road, Cincinnati 37, Ohio, the leaflet "Changing Patterns for Women." (Since we do not have a Handbook, this leaflet may be used to further the study of our work.) Program material can be found in this leaflet, and since the Secretary of Status of Women is a member of the Program Committee in the Local Society, this material could be of great value. They are FREE FOR POSTAGE. Every member of the society should be given a copy.

3. Study thoroughly the duties of the Standing Committee on Status of Women in the local society as defined on Pages 285-6 of the 18th Annual Report of The Woman's Division. The Legal Status of Women in The Methodist Church is found in the 1956 Discipline of the church.

4. Use articles found in The Methodist Woman and World Outlook on co-operation of men and women in the church. There have been at least eight articles in The Methodist Woman this past year pertaining to our work. Read and use these articles.

   At no other time have women had such great opportunities for service in the church as well as the community. As Secretary of Status of Women, let us encourage women to accept the responsibilities which are theirs as we strive toward the goal of

complete cooperation of men and women in the church. Let us not fail to meet the challenge which is ours today.

MISSIONARY PERSONNEL

Mrs. James T. Harris, Secretary

As we come to the close of our four years of service in Missionary Personnel, we come with mixed emotions. First, a feeling of deep humility, a sense of unworthiness and surely with the realization that we were not adequate for the responsibility and privilege that has been ours. We also feel that it has been four years of growth and enrichment for us, and with God's love and wisdom, some accomplishments have been made in the field of recruitment. For this we give thanks to the Conference for the opportunity of service, to the District Secretaries who have worked so faithfully and to our Heavenly Father for His unfailing love and guidance in this area of work.

We are glad to report that many of our churches have organized the Committee on Christian Vocations, and have furnished us with many names of interested young people. These names have been entered in our files and the students have been contacted, both by correspondence and personally.

There has been a closer working relationship with the Wesley Foundations and the M.S.M. at Centenary College this past year, which has been most gratifying to your secretary. We feel that the college campus lends a tremendous opportunity, as well as a great responsibility to those of us who are committed to the recruitment program.

Our hearts are made to rejoice with the knowledge that our own Gretchen Elston has returned to Japan as a commissioned missionary. Our love and prayers follow Gretchen, as she returns to Japan to take up the work which she came to love while serving as a J-3 in 1951.

Each of the eight districts has had either a Christian Career Clinic or a Missionary Tour during the past year. We feel that this is a very real means of acquainting our youth with the needs of our own conference, and how they might help meet the needs.

May the time be close at hand when we as Christian women, shall ALL be concerned with, and actively engaged in, the program of recruitment in our church.

RECOMMENDATIONS

With the responsibility of continuing in the succession of our "Endless Line of Splendor," we recommend:

1. That more stress be placed on the organization and activity of "Committee on Christian Vocations in the Local Church."
2. That the Secretaries of Youth and Student Work in the Woman's Society of Christian Service be members of this Committee.
3. That this Committee keep an accurate file on students who have shown an interest in, or made a commitment to, a Church Vocation.
4. That this Committee have copies of "The Methodist Service Projects" booklets available for their youth at all times. This matrial will be of great value in keeping before our youth the needs around the world. It will also serve as a challenge to help fill these needs.
5. That every district have either a Christian Career Clinic, or a Mission Tour, each year. Where possible, have both, as each of these projects will prove to be of great value.
6. That Prayer groups take as "Prayer-objects," the youth of our Church, that they may be challenged and led by the Spirit of Christ, into a life of full time Christian service.

7. That we confront the local church with the challenge of recruitment for Missionary and Deaconess service, by creating an awareness of the diversity of opportunities in missionary service.

BUSINESS GIRLS' INN

814 Cotton Street

Shreveport, Louisiana

Hazel T. Cooper, Director

Eighty-six girls have made the Inn their home during the year. Twenty-six of the group were students for a portion of the year.

Twenty girls left to be married, eight had lived with us for three years, ten returned to their home towns to take positions, and seven wanted to try apartments.

Two of our girls have won their wings as observers for the Civilian Defense Corps. Of course, there was great excitement when two of our number were entered in the "Miss Holiday in Dixie" contest.

At the Christmas season it has been the custom for the residents to send toys to hospitalized children. This year a collection of $46.00 was sent to the Joy Fund of the Shreveport Journal, which adopts needy families.

A second television set was purchased, so that the girls might enjoy TV upstairs in leisure attire.

We think the best day of the year was our Good Friday service. It was a "Quiet Breakfast." The girls assembled silently in the candlelit dining room for worship before breakfast. Meditations were given by the girls. Breakfast was served and they returned to their rooms without conversation. They themselves felt it was a real accomplishment to keep fifty energetic teen-agers quiet so early in the day. We have decided that it might be good to have these silent times at intervals.

On the administrative level, the local Board has been reorganized on a quota basis from the participating churches.

The group will be smaller and each member will have a definite place of service.

Next year we are looking forward to some type of program or leisure time projects.

DULAC INDIAN CENTER

Dulac, Louisiana

Carl Brunson, Head Resident

This year has been one of many ups and downs for Dulac Indian Center. The biggest news is that we will be one of the recipients of Week of Prayer and Self Denial funds for 1959-60. This money will be used to erect a multi-purpose community building. Our activities have grown over the past few years until this is a necessity to meet not only our present space needs but to give room for expansion.

We have been hampered this year because of weather and road conditions. The main road in Dulac is being paved and has been practically impassable in bad weather. This has curtailed our activities on many days. Everyone is looking forward to the completion of the paving and the resumption of regularity to our program.

Our greatest joy in our work is always seeing improvement or advancement in individuals. Eva Dean has completed her high school work—she was valedictorian of her class at Vashti—and now has a scholarship to National College in Kansas City. Corine Francis is now

attending Vashti and shows much promise. On the local front there are high hopes for a ninth grade for Indian students in Houma this fall.

Our kindergarten program has grown until it is now divided into two groups. Vacation Church School last summer was over 100. Weekday religious education is proving to be a real asset to the children. Our recreational activities are better attended than ever before. About 85% of the Indian families make some use of the Center's facilities.

Despite all this progress there is still much to be done. Ours is a continuing challenge. Our goals are long-range. We ask your continued prayers and support as we attempt to make real the challenge—"Love thy neighbor as thyself."

LOUISIANA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE

Ruston, Louisiana

William M. Stokes, Jr., Student Counselor

The best investment any church can make is to invest in the lives of her students for they are the church leaders of tomorrow.

Students who attended various leadership conferences are as follows: three to the Regional Conference, Camp Egan, Oklahoma; ten to the Sixth Quadrennial Conference of the MSM, University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas; one to the Seminar on Religious Drama, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas; and twenty to the State MSM Conference at LSU. Jimmy Wyche, a junior in the school of Chemical Engineering, was elected president of the Louisiana MSM.

Each morning, Monday through Saturday, at 7:30 students observe a Prayer Time. Thursday and Sunday vespers are held in our chapel. These are conducted and planned by the students. Our theme for this year has been "Here Am I, Lord, Use Me." Our students adopted the following benediction: "All that I am and all that I have I give to Christ and to his service. Amen."

We urge the students to find their places in the local churches. We have a representative from each of the two churches on our Council. We are grateful to Reverend Jolly B. Harper, pastor of Trinity Methodist Church, and Reverend Henry C. Blount, Jr., pastor of Grace Methodist Church, for the splendid way they and the members of their churches have helped our students feel at home in their respective churches. We are grateful to Reverend Luman E. Douglas, District Superintendent of the Ruston District, who has helped to present the program of our Wesley Foundation through the District.

Bible Study each Tuesday night is an area of our program which is also growing in spirit as well as number.

This school year, 1957-58, we had eighteen deputation teams which have gone out presenting programs to the various churches of our District.

Through our Methodist Student Fellowship Fund we selected the International Christian University, Tokyo, Japan, as our foreign mission project. Our pledge was $250; next year it is $300.

We have a program called Project Enthusiasm headed by our Social Action Chairmen, which is directed to the Louisiana Methodist Children's Home. Students form a team to go out on Saturday afternoons to play and work with the children of the Home.

We are organized with an active program for our Drive-In Students, meeting each week for a luncheon and a program.

The married students meet twice a month in some planned activity. They participated in an Interdenominational Family Night with a panel discussing the problems of married college students.

To open our Pre-Easter Services the students presented the re-

ligious drama "The Terrible Meek" by Charles Rann Kennedy. The services held were an early morning devotion and a discussion period each evening. Reverend Rupert Coles was guest speaker and discussion leader. The discussion was based on **Faith, Hope and Love** by Emil Brunner. The last morning a communion service was held. A luncheon was held for those students going into church related vocations.

The Wesley Choir participated in the annual campus event of Sing Week. They sang "Spirit of the Living God" and "At Worship." Our Choir won in the religious bracket.

Students serving in summer projects are: one student will be working at a state park in Colorado; another in an ecumencial work camp in Hong Kong; several will be working in various district camps; two will be working under the Woman's Division, one at the Indian Mission in Yuma, Arizona, and the other at the Muhlenberg Methodist Settlement in Powderly, Kentucky.

As long as we have the students of today with such a faith and consecration to Christ, the Church of tomorrow will advance.

We are grateful to each of you for the generous help and service which you have given us. The members of our Wesley Foundation ask each of you to remember us in your prayers that His will through us may be done and that from our labors He may gain honor and glory to His name.

MacDONELL METHODIST CENTER

Houma, Louisiana

Mrs. Maud Bristol, Director

MacDonell Methodist Center campus has been a busy place during the past year. Twenty-four children, aged 6 to 18,—eight girls and 16 boys—have played, worked, and gone to school and church while making their home here.

Your staff has done everything possible to make it more truly their home. And the necessity of every improvement undertaken has been measured by whether it would make our work for and with the children more effective in their physical, mental, moral, and spiritual development.

Our children mostly come from broken homes and have lived near here before coming to us. A number have been brought to us by the Department of Public Welfare. The State Department of Public Welfare re-licensed our institution last February for one year, and expressed gratification at new strides made since the last detailed study. The Department Staff has been most cooperative; and together we have been able to arrange for studies and tests which make it possible for us to understand our children better and help them more.

Extensive repairs have been made at Wesley House in order that it can better serve as the home of the new Director, the Rev. Harry Ezell, his wife and three sons. They are to come to us early in June, 1958. McCoy is again being used as a boy's domitory, and had to have a roof and other repairs. The entire campus is beautiful because of the care given by the maintenance man and the children; and the three housemothers, two cooks, the nurse and the recreation director are working hard to make this place fulfill your dreams for it. I also wish you could know of the selfless service of your Advisory Committee, and the understanding helpfulness of the Woman's Division of Christian Service.

As in past years, we have tried to teach every child cleanliness and good grooming as well as table manners and gracious courtesy. Each one cares for his own room and possessions; and at present every one (even 6 year old Gertie who enjoys folding the napkins) helps

set tables, serve meals, and wash dishes. Our most important constant goal is that they shall grow to be truly Christian. Each housemother has a daily devotional period with her group, and every Thursday we all gather in our lovely white Ella K. Hooper Chapel for Vespers. Sunday School, Church, and MYF are regular parts of the schedule.

So many of you have sent cash for supplies, used clothing, and wonderful prized gifts at Christmas and on other special occasions. Also many groups and individuals have visited us here. Do come again. A visit can tell you so much more of our work, and we do want to know you.

NORTHWESTERN STATE COLLEGE, NATCHITOCHES, LOUISIANA

Ann Adams, Student Counselor

Of the 2268 students enrolled at Northwestern State College this past year, 379 were Methodist. These were grouped as follows: Commuters, 20; Town students, 39; married students, 48; graduate students, 28; nurses in the Clinical Areas, 25; students living on campus, 270.

Approximately 180 students have been directly served by the Wesley Foundation, with 69 being vitally affected by its ministry. Included in its varied program of activities have been some areas of concern that have seemed to be more challenging than others. Deputations and visitations to District churches has been one of them. The newly organized District-wide Board of Directors and visiting Woman's Society groups to the Foundation have done much to give support to this area. The latter groups have come and served Fellowship Suppers on Wednesday nights and participated in the program.

Another has been the renewed emphasis on World Christian Community, in which outstanding speakers have been brought to the campus. As a result, an increase has been noted in giving to the Methodist Student Fellowship Fund, UNICEF "Trick or Treat", and World Student Christian Federation.

There has also been a steady increase in interest in Bible study and discussion groups having to do with Christian commitment and the role of the Christian in a world in revolution. This has led to serious consideration of church related vocations on the part of a number of students.

Rising above all of the things, and probably as a result of them, has been the growing number of students who have realized their responsibility for making the Wesley Foundation truly a community of Christians witnessing to the redemptive love of Christ, which can speak so clearly to the college campus.

We thank God for His guidance during the months that have passed and for the privilege of serving among you, the followers of His Son.

PEOPLE'S METHODIST COMMUNITY CENTER

2019 Simon Bolivar Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana

Pearl C. Turnbull, Nursery Teacher

When People's Methodist Community Center was organized thirty-six years ago, its primary purpose was to provide day care for children of working mothers, in a wholesome, home-like atmosphere.

While still adhering to this objective, the program has continually expanded to meet other urgent needs of the Community.

Through the years the following services have been added:

A Well-Baby Clinic, an Employment Service, afternoon and evening activities for junior and teen age boys and girls, i.e. Literary and Dramatic Clubs, Girl Scouts, Dancing, Cooking and Sewing Classes and Athletic Activities.

To help the boys and girls of the Community spend a profitable and enjoyable summer the following program is offered:

A Vacation Bible School, a special music program, and a Day Camp Program.

Highlights of the year:

Our Main Play Area was resurfaced with high grade asphalt. Cost $2,005.00.

The Church of God In Christ used our Community Hall and cafeteria for serving dinner to eight hundred persons attending their annual convention.

Eight members of an International Education Tour from Cambodia, with interpreter, visited us. We gave them an extensive interview.

The forty visitors of The Missouri Methodist Missionary Tour brought encouragement and inspiration to the entire staff.

The Wesleyan Service Guild Methodist Tour With a Mission numbered thirty-eight visitors who were from the following states: Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Ohio, and Wisconsin.

The fine work and cooperation of our Mothers' Club and P.T.A. Club merit high praise.

SAGER-BROWN HOME AND GODMAN SCHOOL

Rosie Ann Cobb, Superintendent and Principal

Sager Brown Home and Godman School have had a very successful year.

The enrollment was approximately 165 with 55 of this number living in the dormitories. The remainder of the students came from the near-by communities. Many have been turned away because of a lack of space.

The dormitory students are here for various reasons: some are from broken homes (some of whom have been placed through Child Welfare Agencies) and others are here because their parents have to work and there is no one to care for them during the absence of the parents.

The work of the institution has been carried on with the help of twelve staff members, including the superintendent, six teachers, one house mother, kitchen matron, two laundresses and a maintenance man.

The program of the school includes kindergarten through eighth grade. The teachers are striving to develop each student spiritually, morally, mentally and physically through a well-rounded classroom program.

The community church gives our students an opportunity to participate in all of its activities with special emphasis on weekly prayer services, the choir, Sunday School and the M.Y.F.

In addition to the regular school session and summer school, the program of the institution includes Vacation Church School, Boy Scout activities, participation in the St. Mary Parish Achievement Day for Elementary Schools, Singing Tours, and dramatics.

Many conference groups have visited the institution to see the work of the Division in action; as a result the amount of supplies and gifts have increased and better understanding and fellowship have been brought about.

The fine contribution made by the Wesleyan Service Guilds shall not soon be forgotten. Material and cash supplies have helped meet

the many needs. May God bless each of you as you continue in the work of kingdom building.

ST. MARK'S COMMUNITY CENTER

1130 North Rampart Street

New Orleans, Louisiana

Fae L. Daves, Director

Since there are so many disturbing things happening in our world today, it seems more important than ever to provide Centers such as St. Mark's which offer fun and fellowship, understanding, and ways to happiness for boys and girls, teenagers and adults of the community on a non-sectarian basis.

Despite the handicap of a limited staff we have had a good year at St. Mark's. In the Day Care Center we have served a total of 64 different children during the year and in our program of recreation, clubs, athletics and various activities we have served more than 550 individuals. Last summer we had our usual big program of Play Camp, Swimming, Camping at Camp St. Mark's and other activities. The children really love the camp. Such things as "Why can't we stay another week?" "Best time I ever had!" "Nobody bosses you here." "So many pleasant people!" can be heard on all sides on closing day.

It is very gratifying to see the growth in individuals over a year or a period of years. Perhaps the best explanation would be an illustration.

> One day last fall a lady came in to see me whom I shall call Mrs. A. She had been referred to me by Judge Fannie Burch of Amite, La., who is a Wesleyan Service Guild member and knows about our work at St. Mark's. It seems that Mrs. A's son and another boy of about the same age, 15, had been involved in some trouble but had been paroled. I had a nice long talk with Mrs. A. who seemed anxious to help her son and we made arrangements for the boys to be enrolled in a club. The boys liked the idea and have been faithful members, spending one night a week in the club, and we feel that with the help of their leader they have made a lot of progress.
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> One night in May, Joe came to me with a note from his mother about his younger brother, a boy of 11, for whom he was feeling a lot of concern. Joe plans to work this summer and his mother works, so he was trying to find some place where the younger brother could stay all day, five days a week, all summer. If left alone he might get into mischief and this Joe did not want. Because of limited facilities and staff we are unable to offer this kind of service at St. Mark's but fortunately there is one Community Center in New Orleans that can—Kingsley House. I gave Joe all the information, and wrote his mother a note, suggesting that she act quickly. Two days later Joe came in beaming to tell me that his mother had been successful in enrolling his brother at Kingsley, and he was sure his brother would like it and everything would be all right.
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> Joe's desire to work, his concern for his brother, and the freedom he felt in coming to me with his problem is surely an indication of the progress he is making. It is wonderful the way we can all work together to help a boy get on the right track and stay there.

If space permitted I would like to tell you the story of a group of young teenage girls who have blossomed this year. They have done some service projects and have welcomed opportunities for widening

their horizons. They now take pride in conducting their meetings in a quiet, orderly fashion. Or I would tell the story of three of our present Junior Leaders who all started with us as Brownies with big problems. It has taken a number of years, many group experiences and projects, and the help of a number of understanding leaders to help these girls get to the place where they are now and are in turn making a fine contribution in the Center that has helped them.

We appreciate the interest, prayers and gifts of the women of the Louisiana Conference. Also we appreciate the support of our local community and the confidence manifested in us by our yearly appropriation from the United Fund of greater New Orleans.

ST. TAMMANY PARISH RURAL WORK

LaCombe, Louisiana

Shiela Nuttall, Deaconess

The emphasis on youth work has continued this year as work with the sub-district has included a planning retreat, council meetings, and counseling. With local groups it has included counseling, helping with special MYF programs, working with young people of two churches on invitation of a Woman's Society to present the program, Youth Missions, at a regular Sunday evening preaching service, helping a group with a Sacrificial Supper and a religious drama which were held during Holy Week. In one church it meant meeting with the adult workers with youth of the charge in a series of discussions of youth work in the local church and the role of the adult worker.

Work with the Woman's Society of Christian Service has included helping Societies with program committee meetings, teaching mission study classes for JR credit, helping with special programs, attending Wesleyan Service Guild meetings, helping to interpret the duties of the officers and the work of the society and its relation to the Woman's Division.

Church-wide activities have included taking delegates to various district and conference meetings; assisting in special programs; working with the Every Member Canvass committee in one church, helping to interpret the commission plan of organization, and training the visitors for the canvass; talking to church groups on various phases of the total church program.

Co-operation with community organizations wherever possible gives opportunity for contacts with people from other churches and for sharing the influence of the church with the other agencies at work for the welfare of the community.

I am grateful for this privilege of service.

SOUTHWESTERN LOUISIANA INSTITUTE

Lafayette, Louisiana

Ted B. Tether, Student Counselor

We have had a full year here at S.L.I. The students have particularly enjoyed the deputation teams which have been used several times this year. Four programs were presented by these teams in Lafayette, and several other appearances were made in various towns surrounding.

$175.00 was raised for the Methodist Student Fellowship Fund. This is our yearly pledge. Our student retreats during the fall and spring semester have been well attended. A music and Workshop Seminar was held a few weeks before Easter, at which time talks

were given by members of the S.L.I. music department faculty and also by our former director, the Reverend Robert E. Parrott.

Our student center has been air-conditioned the past year and we are very happy to have this addition to the comforts of our student center. The annual spring banquet, honoring our graduating senior students, was held May 16th at the First Methodist Church. Gifts were presented to the outstanding Wesley boy and girl of the year.

Five of our students attended the Quadrennial Student Conference in Lawrence, Kansas, last December, and we are planning for several students to attend the Regional Student Conference in Tahlequah, Oklahoma, this summer.

The cooperation of the churches, both local and district, has been most encouraging and helpful, and I feel that the new director, the Reverend Allen Jernigan, will make a great contribution to the work here at S.L.I. I have enjoyed being in Louisiana and wish for all the directors and students a most happy future.

DEPARTMENT OF LAW

BY-LAWS OF LOUISIANA CONFERENCE WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

Constitution and by-laws for all Conference Societies will be found in the new Hand Book, and the Annual Report of the Woman's Division of Christian Service.

ARTICLE I.—Elections

Section 1. Only women residing within the bounds of the Conference shall be elected as Conference officers.

Section 2. Officers shall be elected biennially for a term of four years. No officer may immediately succeed herself in the same office, with the exception of the treasurer, who may be elected for one additional term. The term of office for all officers shall begin June 1. The outgoing officer shall make the annual report.

To prevent vacancies in all offices at the same time, the following shall be elected at the annual meeting the second year of the quadrennium: a president, a treasurer, a secretary of Student Work, a secretary of Youth Work, a secretary of Children's Work, a secretary of Status of Women, a secretary of Missionary Personnel, and a secretary of Missionary Service.

At the annual meeting of the fourth year of the quadrennium the following officers shall be elected: a vice-president, a recording secretary, a secretary of Promotion, a secretary of Missionary Education, a secretary of Christian Social Relations, a secretary of Literature and Publications, a secretary of Supply Work, a secretary of Spiritual Life Cultivation. Election shall be by ballot, a majority vote constituting election.

Section 3. (a) At the last meeting of the quadrennium the Conference Society shall elect six delegates to the Jurisdiction Society, all of whom shall be Conference officers. Three of these, including the president, shall be by office, the other three shall be elected by name.

(b) If and when vacancies occur in the offices designated during the quadrennium, the successor in office shall be considered the Conference representative. Vacancies among those elected by name shall be filled by the Executive Committee.

(c) Election shall be by ballot, a majority vote constituting election.

Section 4. Delegates from the Conference Society to the quadrennial Assembly shall be the Conference president and one other Conference officer, elected by the Conference Executive Committee at the last meeting preceding the Assembly. Other representatives from the Conference shall be the Conference secretary of the Wesleyan Service Guild or her representative, and one delegate from each District, who shall be a district officer, elected by the District Executive Committee at the last meeting preceding the Assembly. The expenses of the District representative shall be paid by the Districts.

ARTICLE II.—Vacancies

Section 1. When vacancies among Conference officers, or standing committees occur during the year they shall be filled by the Administrative Committee with ratification by the Executive Committee until the next regular election.

Section 2. When three years or more of an unexpired term of office is filled in a Conference office, it shall constitute a full term of office.

ARTICLE III.—Executive Committee

Section 1. The Executive Committee of the Conference shall be composed of the officers. the District Presidents. District treasurers, District secretaries of Promotion, and such persons as the Conference society may determine. A majority shall constitute a quorum. Any member of the Woman's Division, and any Jurisdiction officers residing within the bounds of the Conference shall be members of the Executive Committee.

The Executive Committee of the conference shall be the coordinating group for the total educational and promotional program in the Conference and shall determine the officer responsible for publicity in the press.

Section 2. There shall be an Administrative Committee composed of the president, who shall be chairman. the vice-president, the recording secretary, the treasurer. the Secretary of Promotion, the Secretary of Status of Women and the chairman of the Research Committee. This Committee shall have power to serve as an Ad Interim Committee.

ARTICLE IV.—Funds

Section 1. Itemized expense accounts may be submitted in advance of expenditures or afterwards.

Section 2. Sixty cents per member shall be set aside by the treasurer for the cultivation fund. membership to be based on enrollment as of the end of the fourth quarter of the preceding year. Expenses of officers. speakers at Annual Meetings. expense of Executive meetings, expenses of delegates to Jurisdictional Conference of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, expense for promotional and educational work of the Conference Society shall be paid from this cultivation fund. All monies in the fund at the end of the fiscal year over the amount necessary to adequately carry on the Conference Work shall revert to the general fund.

Section 3. Each local society shall include in its budget for District Cultivation, an amount equal to ten cents per member, to be remitted to the District treasurer.

Secion 4. District treasurers shall set aside funds each year for the expenses of a delegate to the Assembly.

ARTICLE V.—Districts

Section 1. Districts shall be divided into zones according to their size. A leader for each zone shall be appointed by the District President for a term of two years with the privilege of re-appointment for one additional term. The zone leaders shall hold not less than two meetings in their respective zones each year. A collection may be taken at each meeting. The leader may deduct any necessary expense of the meeting before remitting to the District treasurer.

Section 2. District officers shall be elected for a term of two years, with the privilege of re-election for one additional term in the same office, with the possible exception of the treasurer, whose term is limited to eight years. One year or more of an unexpired term shall constitute a full term, with privilege of re-election. The term of all officers shall begin June 1. The outgoing officer shall make the annual report.

To prevent vacancies in all offices at the same time, the offices shall be divided into two groups, with the election of one group each year. Group number one to be composed of: a president, a treasurer, Secretaries of Student Work, Youth Work, Children's Work, Status of Women and Missionary Personnel. Group number two shall be composed of: a vice-president, a recording secretary, Secretaries of Promotion, Missionary Education and Service, Christian Social Relations, Literature and Publications, Supply Work. and Spiritual Life Cultivation. The District Woman's Society of Christian Service shall determine the method of election of its officers.

Section 3. The District Executive Committee shall be composed of the District officers, the Conference and Jurisdiction officers and members of the Woman's Division residing in the District.

ARTICLE VI.—Standing Committees

Section 1. There shall be a Standing Committee on Spiritual Life whose endeavor shall be to quicken the spiritual life of all Methodist women by helping them to deepen their prayer life and to increase their sense of responsibility for personal service and giving. This committee shall keep in touch with the spiritual movement of the times and by prayerful research develop a clearer appreciation of the meaning of Christian living. It shall promote Christian stewardship, informal studies and the use of the Bible and other devotional materials. The committee shall devise definite means of permeating the local church with a spiritual power that should lead to deeper consecration and to more active service.

Section 2. There shall be a Standing Committee on Christian Social Relations which may include District secretaries of Christian Social Relations or other specially trained leaders in the field of social action, including the Wesleyan Service Guild members, and members of the department of Christian Relations of the Woman's Division residing within the Conference. This committee shall make recommendations to the Conference Society concerning the work of Christian Social Relations in accord with the lines of work outlined by the Division and Jurisdiction.

Section 3. There shall be a Standing Committee on Study and Action, composed of the secretary of Missionary Education, secretary of Missionary Service, and secretaries of Christian Social Relations, of the Wesleyan Service Guild and of Spiritual Life Cultivation.

It shall be the duty of this committee to consider all plans and recommendations referred to the Conference by the Jurisdiction Committee on Summer Schools and Conferences; to make recommendations concerning the use of approved study courses, joint study courses

and cooperative courses. It may recommend also special informal studies in line with major needs. This committee shall develop a correlated program of education and action for the year and make recommendations concerning the same to the Conference Society.

Section 4. There shall be a Standing Committee on Finance. This committee shall be composed of the treasurer of the Conference, as chairman; the president, the secretary of Promotion, the secretary of Missionary Education, secretary of Missionary Service, the secretary of Christian Social Relations, the secretary of the Wesleyan Service Guild, the secretary of Supply Work, the treasurers of the districts and a limited number of women appointed at the annual meeting of the Conference Society.

This committee shall meet at least semi-annually, and on call of the chairman. It shall study the strength of the society in the local churches, and the pledges made; become informed of Conference income and disbursements, local financial possibilities and problems; and assist by counsel in the forming of the Conference pledge and budget.

Section 5. There shall be a Standing Committee on Status of Women. It shall be the duty of this committee to study the status of women in the local church, the community, the state, the nation and in other lands. The study shall include the bases of Woman's place and the questions that affect her place in society and in the church. The committee shall make recommendations for the Conference Society for the promotion of such lines of activities as will improve her status and enable her to serve effectively.

Section 6. There shall be a Standing Committee on Missionary Personnel, composed of the conference secretary of Missionary Personnel, the Promotion secretary, the secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild, the secretary of Student Work, the secretary of Youth Work, and the women members of the Joint Committee on Missionary Personnel of the Board of missions and Church Extension, and of the Committee on Missionary Personnel of the Woman's Division residing within the Conference. Others with experience in personnel work may be co-opted.

This committee shall work in cooperation with the committee on Missionary Personnel of the Woman's Division. It shall search for consecrated young women of training and experience who may be available for Christian Service; it shall interpret the standards of candidates for the types of service needed; it shall explain to prospective candidates the procedure in making applications to the Board; it shall recommend to the personnel secretary of the Joint Committee on Missionary Personnel of the Board the names of such persons who in the judgment of the committee shall be considered as prospective candidates; it shall cooperate in making plans for visitation within the Conference in the interest of personnel work. The committee shall send an annual report of its activities to the secretary of Missionary Personnel of the Jurisdiction.

Section 7. There shall be a Standing Committee on Constitution and By-Laws consisting of five members. It shall be the duty of this committee to watch all proposed legislation and call attention to any over-lapping, conflicting or unnecessary items. It shall prepare for use in the annual report, a copy of the By-Laws adopted by the Conference, and the Standing Rules and Rules of Order. The Chairman shall be elected by the Executive Committee.

Section 8. (a) An Advisory Committee shall be set up to help in planning and interpreting the work in the conference where there are one or more Rural Work Projects. It shall be composed of the president of the Conference Society, the secretary of Missionary Education, the chairman of the Board of Missions of the Annual Conference, the Executive secretary of the Board of Education, the chairman of the

Town and Country Commission, the District Superintendents of the districts in which Rural Workers are located, and one or more members-at-large. The Executive Secretary of the Town and Country Bureau of the Woman's Division shall be an ex-officio member of the committee. While the committee may make recommendations the actual decision as to the area in which the Rural Worker shall serve rests with the Conference Executive Committee of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. The Rural Deaconess shall report quarterly to the Rural Advisory Committee, who shall direct her work.

(b). There shall be set up in each District where there is a Rural Worker, a District Advisory sub-committee, composed of the members of the Conference Advisory Committee residing in the District, and any additional members which the Conference Advisory Committee may wish to add. The sub-committee shall recommend to the Executive Committee of the Conference the advisability of continuing each worker of the District.

Section 9. There shall be a Research Committee consisting of the District secretaries of Promotion, the Conference secretary of Status of Women, with a chairman elected by the Executive Committee. It shall be the duty of this committee to search for specially qualified women in the Conference who may serve as officers and chairmen of the Standing Committees. It shall report its findings when called for, to the Conference Society.

Section 10. There shall be a committee on School of Missions and Christian Service, with a chairman elected annually. This committee shall be composed of: the vice-president, the treasurer, the secretaries of Promotion, Missionary Education, Missionary Service, Christian Social Relations, Wesleyan Service Guild, Literature and Publications, Spiritual Life Cultivation, and such other members as may be authorized by the Executive Committee. This committee shall plan and promote a Conference School of Missions and Christian Service which shall give emphasis to the world mission of the Christian Church through the integrated program of missionary education, Christian Social Relations, Spiritual Life Cultivation and Program Building, and which shall train leadership for the promotion of the total program of the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

Section 11. There shall be a Standing Committee on Annual Report composed of the recording secretary, who shall be chairman, the president, the treasurer, the secretary of Promotion, and the secretary of the Wesleyan Service Guild. It shall be the duty of this committee to edit and publish the Annual Report of the Conference Society.

Section 12. There shall be a Standing Committee of the Wesleyan Service Guild composed of the Conference secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild as chairman, the Guild secretary from each District in the Conference, and four representatives from the Woman's Society of Christian Service within the Conference, two of whom shall be the conference secretary of Promotion and the conference treasurer; the other two to be elected by the Conference Wesleyan Service Guild, and such additional members as the work demands. It shall be the duty of the Guild Committee to assist the Conference secretary of the Guild in the promotion of Guild work in the Conference.

Section 13. There shall be a committee on Annual Meeting Program, composed of the president, the vice-president, the recording secretary, secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild and such other members as may be needed. The committee shall elect its chairman annually.

ARTICLE VII.—Amendments

Section 1. All proposed changes to the by-laws shall be sent to

the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws thirty days before the annual meeting of the Conference, and copies shall be made for distribution to the delegates.

RULES OF ORDER

1. Each meeting shall open and close with a religious service.

2. All resolutions shall be presented in writing and signed by two members.

3. Courtesies shall be limited to ten minutes before the noon devotional service.

STANDING RULES OF THE CONFERENCE

1. All communications from the Conference officers, such as circulars, letters, literature, etc., that go to the corresponding officers of the District or local society, the Conference officers are expected to provide postage for same.

2. A Committee on Journal shall be appointed to approve the minutes of the Conference session. All minutes of the Conference shall be signed by the president and the recording secretary.

3. Standing Committees shall meet for organization before leaving the seat of the Conference. Each committee shall have the right to make its own quorum. Expenses for an annual meeting of each standing commmittee shall be allowed.

4. There shall be a District committee to visit home institutions within the bounds of the District, composed of the District treasurer, and the District secretary of Supply Work.

5. A typist shall be supplied at the annual meeting for the typing of committee reports, expense of same to be paid by the Conference.

6. A half hour of each forenoon during the annual meeting of the Conference shall be devoted to worship.

7. Each District Seminar collection, after local expenses are paid, shall be turned over to the Conference secretary of Missionary Education for the Seminar Cultivation.

8. Representation at annual meetings of the Conference shall be one delegate for each hundred members or major fraction thereof. Each society, however small, shall have one delegate.

9. The hostess society for the annual meeting shall provide homes for the Conference Executive Committee, and delegates from societies with 20 members or less. Hotel accommodations shall be arranged for delegates from societies with more than 20 members, the expense to be paid by their society.

10. The Conference shall pay expense of Conference president, recording secretary, treasurer and secretary of Promotion at hotel during Annual Meeting.

11. Thirty days before the Annual Meeting the Conference Recording Secretary shall send to the president of each society in the Conference registration cards, which she will fill in the names of the delegates, and with check covering meals, and mail immediately to the chairman of Registration in the society entertaining the Conference.

12. In view of the fact that the letters have been received from certain business concerns asking the Woman's Division to endorse and promote through its channels their plans to help local societies of Christian Service to make profits by selling their products, we urge a strong statement be sent in reply, refusing such endorsement.

13. Since the Woman's Society has a definite responsibility for support of the program of the Woman's Division, the Louisiana Conference wishes to point out that it is not the responsibility of the Woman's Society officers at the Conference or District level to seek contributions from the Woman's Society's treasuries for the support of projects which are the responsibility of the Annual Conference or the District of the church.

14. The Program Committee shall meet during or immediately following the Annual Meeting to consider plans for selecting speakers for the next Annual Meeting. Whenever possible, speakers who come from a distance shall be secured to address both the Annual Meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service and the Wesleyan Service Guild.

STANDING RULES FOR LOCAL SOCIETIES

1. No new society can be reported until a quarterly report has been sent to the District treasurer and the secretary of Promotion.

2. In order that the society entertaining the annual meeting may not be deprived of the benefits of the meeting, meals shall be served by an outside agency.

3. In case any society is not sending a member as delegate to the annual meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service that society may elect its zone leader to serve in that capacity, and may also assist in paying her expenses.

4. One-fourth of the membership of the society shall constitute a quorum for the election of officers.

5. The president of the society shall be responsible for the calling of an Executive meeting the last of each quarter, at which time, the reports should be made out and mailed to the District officers.

6. The treasurer of each local society shall send a copy of the total budget to the District treasurer not later than July 15.

7. The secretary of Promotion in each society shall send the Memorial Roll to the secretary of Promotion of the District not later than March 10.

8. Societies having the Circle plan of organization shall shift the membership of circles at least every two years.

9. A report presenting all resolutions and plans adopted should be made by the delegates at the first meeting of the society after the Annual Meeting of the Conference Society.

10. All monies remaining in the treasury at the close of the fiscal year, except those designated for local work, shall be sent to the District treasurer to be channeled by her to the Conference treasurer.

11. All appeals for funds outside the institutions and agencies of the Woman's Division shall be referred to the committee on Finance before being presented to the society.

12. District, Conference and Jurisdiction officers shall be members of the Executive Committee of their local societies.

LOCAL SOCIETY PRESIDENTS

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT

Zone I Leader: Mrs. J. C. Thompson, Joyce, La.

Jena	Mrs. Fred R. Holt	Jena, La.
Jonesville	Mrs. B. Z. Forman	Jonesville, La.
Olla	Mrs. Ray Whitehead	Olla, La.
Trout	Mrs. Bill Basham	Trout, La.
Urania	Mrs. Irwin C. Dunlap	Box 707, Urania, La.
Winnfield	Mrs. M. C. Mann	309 Wright, Winnfield, La.

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Oak Grove	Mrs. G. C. Clark	Star Route 59, Vick, La.
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Natchitoches, Oak Grove	Mrs. Odis Wilkerson	1115 Magnolia St., Natchitoches, La.
Provencal	Mrs. Eula Parker	Provencal, La.

BATON ROUGE DISTRICT

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Istrouma	Mrs. Clifford Ratliff	2938 Fairfield Ave., Baton Rouge, La.
North Baton Rouge	Mrs. Johnnie Ross	4146 Evangeline, Baton Rouge, La.
University	Mrs. Kenneth Swartwood	1890 Ferndale, Baton Rouge, La.
Winbourne	Mrs. Alma Igore	2935 Conrad, Baton Rouge, La.
Blackwater	Mrs. L. L. Burkhalter	Rt. 4, Silliman Rd., Baton Rouge. La.

Lottie	Mrs. A. N. Smith, Sr.	Blanks, La.
New Roads	Mrs. C. W. Perry	Glynn, La.
Plaquemine	Mrs. M. L. Arnold	719 LeBouoe Ave., Plaquemine, La.
Port Allen	Mrs. C. T. Buford	354 Ave. "B", Port Allen, La.
Rosedale	Mrs. A. O. Sykes	Rosedale, La.

Zone II Leader: Mrs. Frank Reedy, Franklinton, La.

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Fisher	Mrs. H. F. Stafford	Rt. 3, Franklinton, La.
Franklinton	Mrs. Heyward Green	404 Cleveland, Franklinton, La.
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Friendship	Mrs. Steve Graham	Walker, La.
Gonzales	Mrs. T. Y. Harp	202 Frances St., Gonzales, La.
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Livingston	Miss Mary Arledge	Livingston, La.
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Meadow's Chapel	Mrs. David Jefferies	Rt. 3, Baton Rouge, La.
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Walker	Mrs. Arnold Rushing	Corbin, La.

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Lees Landing	Mrs. Carl Raiford	Ponchatoula, La.
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Pine Ridge	Mrs. Marie Blades	Rt. 1, Kentwood, La.
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Springfield	Mrs. Gladys Lee	Springfield, La.
Tangipahoa	Mrs. H. E. Hutchinson	Tangipahoa, La.
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Ethel	Mrs. Ben Price	Ethel, La.
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LAFAYETTE DISTRICT

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Zone IV Leader: Mrs. Paul Lasseigne, Rayne, La.

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LAKE CHARLES DISTRICT

Zone I Leader:

DeRidder—First	Mrs. John S. Lewis	705 S. Pine, DeRidder, La.
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Holley Grove	Mrs. Cullen Dixon	Rt. 1, Anacoco, La.
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Merryville	Mrs. A. E. Giles	Merryville, La.
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MONROE DISTRICT

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Swartz	Mrs. Doris Musick	Rt. 3, Monroe, La.

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NEW ORLEANS DISTRICTS

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RUSTON DISTRICT

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Haynesville	Mrs. J. L. Reeves	Shongaloo Rd., Haynesville, La.
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Lisbon	Mrs. D. O. McDonald	Lisbon, La.
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Springhill	Mrs. D. L. Booth	Springhill, La.
Summerfield	Mrs. Lovic Wasson	Summerfield, La.

Zone II Leader: Mrs. LaVelle Perryman, Dubberly, La.

Brushwood	Mrs. LaVelle Perryman	Dubberly, La.
Doyline	Mrs. E. P. O'Neal	Doyline, La.
Heflin	Mrs. Leroy Connell	Heflin, La.
Minden (First)	Mrs. W. S. Hicks	1100 Louisiana Ave., Minden, La.
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Pine Grove	Mrs. Wm. Dunn	Rt. 1, Minden, La.
Ringgold	Mrs. C. J. Frye	Ringgold, La.
Sibley	Mrs. Mary Gray	Rt. 1, Sibley, La.

Zone III Leader:

Bernice	Mrs. J. Y. Green	Bernice, La.
Calhoun	Mrs. Claude Roberts	Calhoun, La.
Choudrant	Mrs. L. L. Holstead	Rt. 2, Choudrant, La.
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Dubach	Mrs. Joe Ossenbeck	Dubach, La.
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Ruston (Trinity)	Mrs. J. D. Murry	1006 Stadium Dr., Ruston, La.

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SHREVEPORT DISTRICT

Zone I Leader: Mrs. W. B. Gardner, Mooringsport, La.

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Miss Margaret McGowan ..... 4468 Music St., New Orleans, La.

Editor of Guild Times

Miss Elizabeth Langford ..... 1607 N. Fifth St., Monroe, La.

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LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD

STANDING GUILD COMMITTEE MEETING

The Standing Committee of the Louisiana Conference Wesleyan Service Guild met in mid-year session at Edmary's Courts, Alexandria, Louisiana, September 14-15, 1957. Members present were: Mrs. Minza Rabun, Miss Margaret McGowan, Mrs. F. G. Phillips, Miss Elizabeth Langford, Miss Mildred Evans, Miss Sue Batton, Miss Arline Tyler, Mrs. J. H. McSween, Miss Jenibe Westbrook. Others present were Mrs. E. E. Roberts, representing Mrs. A. T. Sandefur, newly elected Secretary of Alexandria District, and Miss Elizabeth Randoll.

The program was opened at 4:00 p.m. with meditation and prayer led by Mrs. Rabun. The theme of study for the Coaching Conference was "Materials."

Mrs. Rabun welcomed Miss Evans, newly elected Secretary of New Orleans District, and Miss Elizabeth Langford, the new Editor of GUILD TIMES. Miss Langford was complimented on her first issue of GUILD TIMES.

A financial report was given by Mrs. McSween. She reported that the new method of keeping the budgets may not go into effect for another year. She urged that we try to keep our Spring Meeting expenses at a minimum. As a suggestion she proposed that we might work out some arrangements whereby the conference would not have to pay for the Executive Luncheon.

Mrs. Rabun opened the study on materials with a review of the Annual Report. She named materials that would be helpful in our Guild work and also stressed the importance of using the officers handbooks and passing them on.

The meeting adjourned for supper.

Opening the program for the evening session, Mrs. Phillips gave a discussion on the handbook and other guides to be used by chairman of Missionary Education. A review of materials to be used by the Chairman of Supply Work was given by Miss McGowan. Miss Sue Batton led the discussion on program building, and the proper use of the program materials. The evening session adjourned with prayer.

The Sunday morning session was opened with prayer by Miss Batton.

Miss Elizabeth Langford reported that she had received 418 subscriptions for GUILD TIMES. She was confident that she would reach the goal of 500. She asked for the cooperation of the officers and Guild members in getting the local news to her for publication. Plans are to get out issues in September, January, April and July.

The Directory was checked and corrections made.

In discussion on the urgent need for improvements at Camp Brewer, it was decided that the Committee write a letter to the district superintendents urging that something be done about this situation, as soon as possible. Miss Langford was appointed to write this letter.

Miss Arline Tyler was elected Spiritual Life Chairman to fill the vacancy left by Miss Helen Adams, who had recently married and left the conference. The election of the Conference Secretary, Recording Secretary and Spiritual Life Chairman will be held at the Annual Meeting.

The meeting adjourned. Luncheon was held at Holiday Inn.

Jenibe Westbrook,
Recording Secretary.

SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD

The Seventh Annual Spring Meeting of Louisiana Conference Wesleyan Service Guild was held March 22-23, 1958, at Monroe, Louisiana. The program theme was "Missions—Endless Line of Splendor."

The Saturday afternoon session was convened in the sanctuary of the First Methodist Church by Mrs. Minza Rabun, conference secretary. The program was opened with the hymn, "Heralds of Christ."

Miss Ruth Whatley, president of the Guild of First Methodist Church, Monroe, introduced Rev. G. W. Pomeroy, host pastor who gave the welcome address. The opening meditation was given by Judge Fannie Burch.

In the business session that followed, the recording secretary presented the recommendation from the Standing Committee as follows: "The Standing Committee hereby recommends that the 1959 Guild Weekend be held at Centenary College following or preceding the School of Missions if this can be worked out." Miss Marie Pace moved that this recommendation be accepted and the motion was seconded and passed.

Miss Dorothy Dunbar moved that the conference as a body write a letter urging that changes and improvements be made at Camp Brewer. This motion was seconded and passed.

The proposed Standing Rules, written by the committee composed of Judge Fannie Burch, Chairman, Mrs. Minza Rabun, Miss Dorothy Dunbar, and Mrs. Glenn E. Laskey were presented by Judge Burch. Those adopted are printed herein. See page——

The following were named on the Resolutions Committee: Mrs. Martha Overby, Mrs. W. C. Lee and Miss Jenibe Westbrook.

Miss Margaret McGowan, chairman of the Research Committee, reported the following nominations: Conference Secretary, Miss Sue Batton; Recording Secretary, Miss Marilynn Carter; Spiritual Life Chairman, Miss Arline Tyler. It was moved and passed that the report be accepted. A write-in ballot was distributed by the tellers, Miss Louise Jones, Mrs. Ruth Travis, Mrs. Louise Baldridge, Mrs. Dolly Brown, Miss Marie White, and Mrs. John R. Watkins. Mrs. Minza Rabun was nominated as Research Committee Chairman from the floor by Miss Elizabeth Langford. The delegates were instructed to write in Mrs. Rabun's name on the ballot, and in voting to check the names submitted or write in the name of the person of their choice. In a later report of the count, the tellers declared the above slate of officers elected.

Mrs. Rabun gave her report "Conference Guilds in Action." At this time the District Secretaries and Chairmen of Lines of Work gave their reports and pinned copies of these reports to a large map of Louisiana showing the different districts.

The Pledge Service was led by Mrs. Glenn E. Laskey who used the story as told by Margaret Applegarth, in which the throngs of people bore the Crown of the King down the streets. Mrs. Charles N. Cadwallader, Conference President, and Mrs. Rabun participated in this service. The district secretaries came down the aisle bearing a large gold crown and placed it on the altar. As each secretary made her district pledge she placed a jewel in the crown. The pledges were as follows:

Alexandria District	$1,590.00
Baton Rouge District	1,998.00

Lafayette District	758.00
Lake Charles District	1,695.00
Monroe District	1,905.00
New Orleans District	1,913.00
Ruston District	1,943.00
Shreveport District	2,573.00

In closing, Mrs. Wideman Watson, acting in the absence of Mrs. J. H. McSween, Conference Treasurer, accepted the total pledge of $14,375.00 and placed a large jewel in the front of the crown.

The session adjourned with the benediction given by Miss Marie Pace.

A lovely tea was held at 4:15 in the Fellowship Hall with the Bastrop Guild acting as hostess.

The dinner was served at 6:30 on Cherokee Terrace of Hotel Frances with Mrs. F. G. Phillips, Chairman of Missionary Education, presiding. Everyone was delighted and inspired by a large mural, life-size and in vivid colors, which formed a backdrop behind the speaker's stand. The figures marching toward the Cross illustrated the conference theme, "Missions—Endless Line of Splendor." The tables and the whole terrace, depicting a Japanese garden setting, had been beautifully decorated by the Guild of First Methodist Church, Monroe.

The invocation was given by Rev. J. T. Harris, Monroe District Superintendent. Mrs. T. D. Guthrie, introduced and welcomed the following: Rev. and Mrs. R. H. Staples, Rev. and Mrs. G. W. Pomeroy, Rev. and Mrs. W. D. Milton, Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Bengsten, Rev. and Mrs. C. R. McCammon, Dr. and Mrs. Clyde Stuntz, and Miss Hazel Cooper of Business Girl's Inn. Mrs. Minza Rabun introduced and welcomed Bishop and Mrs. Paul E. Martin, Rev. and Mrs. J. T. Harris, and the conference officers.

Honorary Life Memberships were presented to Mrs. Helen Adams Preston, and Miss Jenibe Westbrook. Mrs. Minza Rabun was given an Honorary Patron's Membership. The presentations were made by Miss Elizabeth Langford, assisted by Mrs. C. N. Cadwallader.

Miss Margaret McGowan made a talk on "Gifts for Missions." She asked that the delegates leave their love offering in the collection plate at the worship center, in the rear of the room.

Mrs. Phillips introduced the guest speaker, Miss Lillian Johnson, the Executive Secretary of the Wesleyan Service Guild. Miss Johnson gave an inspiring and challenging address, "Watching or Marching—Which?" She showed the inclusiveness, not the exclusiveness of the Wesleyan Service Guild. The benediction was given Mrs. Harriett Russell, Spiritual Life Chairman of the Monroe District.

SATURDAY EVENING SESSION

The evening session was held in the Sanctuary of Memorial Methodist Church, Monroe. After the organ prelude, Mrs. B. E. Rodgers, Spiritual Life Chairman, Shreveport District, gave the Call to Worship. The hymn, "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life" was sung. Mrs. Cadwallader introduced the speaker, Miss Marguerite Twinem, Assistant Secretary of Missionary Personnel of the Woman's Division, who gave the address, "A Calling to Fulfill." She presented the need for help for those on the mission field. Special music was sung by Mrs. Jim Davis. The delegates joined in receiving Holy Communion under the direction of Rev. Ralph Cain, who closed the service with the benediction.

SUNDAY MORNING

The breakfast was held at 7:00 on Cherokee Terrace of Hotel Frances with Miss Arline Tyler, Spiritual Life Chairman, presiding. Mrs. Jack Willis furnished the quiet music. The tables had been

beautifully decorated by the Guild of First Methodist Church, West Monroe. The invocation was given by Mrs. Willie Ray Jones, Spiritual Life Chairman of the New Orleans District. Miss Tyler read the names of those missionaries listed in the Prayer Calendar for the day and asked that we remember them in our prayers. The morning meditation was given by Mrs. J. T. Harris, Conference Secretary of Missionary Personnel. Mrs. Betty Cox sang, "The Lord's Prayer." The benediction was given by Miss Tyler.

Mrs. E. T. Cowell, Chairman of Christian Social Relations, assisted by Mrs. W. C. Lee, Mrs. Dolly Brown, and Miss Lillian Johnson presented a very clever skit on Christian Social Relations. The need for study and understanding for the promotion of this phase of the work of the Woman's Society was shown.

The General Session resumed at the hotel with Mrs. Rabun presiding. The Chairman of the Standing Rules Committee, Judge Fannie Burch, presented her report. Judge Burch recommended that the report be tabled until the committee had more time to study further those rules which had not been acted upon at the previous business session. The recommendation was seconded and passed.

In reporting on GUILD TIMES, Miss Elizabeth Langford was happy to announce that the subscriptions had reached 507 in number and that this important instrument of promotion and cultivation was much nearer the self-supporting mark. She reminded everyone that it was about time to start sending in the money for new subscriptions and asked for the continued support of the Guilds in sending the news.

Mrs. Rabun announced the following activities and dates: The Assembly at St. Louis, May 6-9 with the Guild Assembly Weekend to be held, May 9-11; Jurisdiction Weekend, June 20-22, and the Jurisdiction School of Missions, June 23-28 at Mt. Sequoyah; Guild Weekend at Camp Brewer, July 18-20; and Conference School of Missions at Centenary College, in Shreveport, August 11-15.

Mrs. Rabun called for nominations for an alternate delegate for the conference secretary to the jurisdiction meeting. Miss Marie Pace nominated Mrs. Alvin Sandefur, who was elected. Nominations for the three alternate delegates for lines of work to jurisdiction Weekend were called for. The following were nominated and elected: Spiritual Life Chairman alternate. Miss Marie Pace; Missionary Education alternate, Mrs. Earl Nugent; Christian Social Relations alternate, Mrs. Emma Mainous. The following were elected as alternates for the conference secretary to the Assembly: Miss Arline Tyler, first alternate; Mrs. Alvin Sandefur, second alternate; and Miss Dorothy Dunbar, third alternate.

The Resolutions Committee's report, given by Mrs. Martha Overby was as follows:

> "We, of the Resolutions Committee, on behalf of the Louisiana Conference Wesleyan Service Guild, wish to express our sincere appreciation to all of those who made this Seventh Annual Spring Meeting possible. Especially do we wish to thank Rev. G. W. Pomeroy, our host pastor, Rev. J. T. Harris, Monroe District Superintendent, Rev. Ralph Cain, pastor of Memorial Methodist Church, Mrs. E. T. Cowell, program chairman, Mrs. T. D. Guthrie, Monroe District Secretary and her special committees for Registration, Hospitality, Flowers, Table Decorations, Transportation and Special Music; also the Bastrop Guild for the lovely Tea and Fellowship Hour.
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> "We especially want to thank the Monroe District Guilds for their unique publicity for this conference; the Woman's Society of Christian Service for the Banquet Thursday night and the Breakfast Friday morning, honoring the Wesleyan Service Guild.

"We thank our guest speakers for the inspiring messages brought to us. In closing, we thank Mrs. Chas. N. Cadwallader for her guidance for the past four years; and our own beloved Minza Rabun for the untiring leadership and spiritual inspiration she has given this conference these last four years."

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. W. C. Lee
Miss Jenibe Westbrook
Mrs. Martha Overbey, Chairman.

The registration chairman, Mrs. Sara Kennon, announced a total registration of 171 delegates, representing 50 Guilds. Mrs. Rabun reported that the Love Offering was $289.25.

The floor was opened for an invitation for the meeting next year. An invitation was given by Mrs. Ruth B. Travis, on behalf of the First Methodist Church of Baton Rouge. Mrs. E. T. Cowell moved that the invitation be accepted. Motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Rabun introduced Mrs. Mary Lee Barbee, General Hostess Chairman, who had been responsible for so much of the work and leadership that had made the conference such a success.

The new officers were installed by Miss Lillian Johnson, who reminded them of their sacred trust and challenged them to give of their best in the Master's work. Miss Sue Batton, newly elected conference secretary, gave a short talk in which she accepted this challenge and trust, and solicited the aid and support of the officers and members.

Miss Johnson held a question and answer period pertaining to Guild work and activities. She emphasized membership and financial promotion.

The benediction was given by Miss Sue Hefley, Spiritual Life chairman, Ruston District. Mrs. Rabun declared the conference adjourned.

The delegates attended the 11:00 o'clock service at First Methodist Church, Monroe. The conference was concluded with a delicious buffet luncheon served by the Guild of the host church in Fellowship Hall.

Respectfully submitted,
Jenibe Westbrook,
Recording Secretary.

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD STANDING RULES

Voting Membership

The Conference Wesleyan Service Guild shall have the following voting membership:

One delegate from each local Guild for the first 20 members, plus one delegate for each additional 20 members or major fraction thereof. In addition each member of the Conference Guild Standing Committee shall have one vote if present at the meeting, and such members as are determined by Article 3, by-laws of the Conference Wesleyan Service Guild.

Standing Committee

The Conference Wesleyan Service Guild shall have a Standing Committee to be composed of:

1. Conference Secretary, Wesleyan Service Guild (chairman).
2. Conference Recording Secretary, Wesleyan Service Guild.
3. All Wesleyan Service Guild District Secretaries.
4. Chairmen of all Wesleyan Service Guild sub-committees of Lines of Work.
5. Editor of Guild Times (Coopted member).
6. Conference President, Woman's Society of Christian Service, (ex-officio).
7. Conference Treasurer, Woman's Society of Christian Service.
8. Conference Secretary of Promotion, Woman's Society of Christian Service.
9. Two members at large, to be elected by the Conference Guild. Members at large shall be officers or members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service.
10. All jurisdiction and division members of the Standing Guild Committee residing within the conference.

There shall be at least two regular meetings of the Standing Committee each year.

Meetings

There shall be an annual meeting of the Conference Wesleyan Service Guild, to be designated as the Spring Meeting. All regular elections will be held at this Spring Meeting. On the years in which the Conference Secretary and the Recording Secretary are to be elected, this Spring Meeting shall be held on the weekend preceding the annual meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. On all other years, it shall be held either before or after such annual meetings, the exact date to be designated by the Guild Standing Committee.

There shall be an annual Guild Weekend, the date of which shall be determined by the Guild Standing Committee. All necessary business may be transacted at this annual Weekend, including elections to fill vacancies which have occurred since the Spring Meeting.

The Spring Meeting and the Weekend are designated as regular business meetings. If it becomes necessary to transact business at any other time, notice of the holding of such meeting, with the date and the nature of the business to be transacted, must be given to all members of the Standing Committee at least two weeks in advance of such meeting date.

A Coaching Conference for the training of officers shall be planned by the Standing Committee.

Program Committee

The Program Committee for the Spring Meeting and the Guild Weekend shall be composed of the Conference Secretary, the Recording Secretary, chairmen of all sub-committees of Lines of Work, and the district secretary of the district in which the meeting is to be held.

The Chairman of the Program Committee shall be elected from this number by the Guild Standing Committee.

Guild Times

The **Guild Times** shall be considered the official organ of the Guild for promotion of its work throughout the conference.

The editor shall be appointed by the Conference Secretary and approved by the Standing Committee at the Spring Meeting in each even numbered year, for a term of two years, subject to reappointment for another two-year term.

Nominating Committee

The Conference Nominating Committee shall be elected from a group made up of one representative from each district in the conference and shall be elected as follows:

Each District Guild Committee shall submit the name of one Guild member from its district as a candidate for membership on this committee. From the candidates so submitted, a nominating committee of five will be elected by vote of the Conference Wesleyan Service Guild. The chairman shall be elected from this committee, thus elected by the Conference Wesleyan Service Guild.

The term of office of this committee shall be for four years, and its duties are to select candidates for all conference offices, and for vacancies which occur in accordance with the by-laws.

Elections

Election of officers shall be held every two years.

The Conference Secretary and Recording Secretary shall be elected every four years.

So that vacancies in chairmen of sub-committees of Lines of Work will not occur all in the same year, the chairmen of Spiritual Life and Christian Social Relations shall be elected at the same time the Conference Secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild and Conference Recording Secretary are elected.

Two years following these elections, the Chairmen of the Missionary Education and Supply Work shall be elected. The term of office of all Chairmen of sub-committees of Lines of Work shall be for four years.

The outgoing officers and chairmen shall make all necessary reports.

Finances

Expenses of the Spring Meeting, and one additional meeting of the Standing Committee, shall be paid from the conference cultivation fund.

Expenses of the district secretaries to the Guild Weekend and to the Coaching Conference shall be paid from the district cultivation fund.

The Standing Rules Committee is empowered to edit and bring these Standing Rules in line with changes in the by-laws of the Wesleyan Service Guild and the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

Fannie Burch, Chairman
Dorothy Dunbar
Mrs. Glenn E. Laskey
Mrs. Minza Rabun

DISTRICT OFFICERS AND LOCAL PRESIDENTS

WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD

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Mrs. Irma Watson, Chairman, Christian Social Relations, 4207 Harrison St., Monroe, La.
Mrs. Minza Rabun, Chairman, Supply Work, 504 Jackson St., Bastrop, La.

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RUSTON DISTRICT

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Miss Ruby Craton, Chairman, Missionary Education, East & West St., Minden, La.
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Trinity	Miss Mary Lou Ledbetter	103 S. Farmerville St., Ruston, La.
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Mansfield	Mrs. Tommie Pierson	725 Forest Ave., Mansfield, La.
Plain Dealing	Mrs. T. B. Barron	Plain Dealing, La.
Shreveport:		
Broadmoor	Mrs. James Lee	354 Leo St., Shreveport, La.
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